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Zia coup a mistake; won't do it again: Baig

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 13, (Agencies): Pakistan's Army chief said today the military coup carried out in 1977 by his predecessor General Mohammed Zia-ul-Haq was a mistake.

General Mirza Aslam Baig told Pakistani reporters the decision to withdraw the armed forces from politics on Zia's death last year represented the military's collective will, not just his own.

The armed forces have ruled Muslim Pakistan for more than half of its 42-year existence. But Baig said martial law did not solve any problems.

"The Army has learned it from experience and would never repeat the mistake of 1977," the official news agency APP quoted him as saying.

The Army had restored its image and would no longer like to smear it again, he said.

Zia overthrew the civilian government of Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, father of the present Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

The deposed leader was hanged in April 1979 on disputed murder conspiracy charges.

Zia made himself President and ruled for 11 years, most of it through martial law.

Baig became Chief of Army Staff when Zia was killed in a plane crash on August 17, 1988.

Within hours Baig promised to respect the constitution and the Army allowed Benazir's Pakistan People's Party to contest elections in November and take office.

He said many people came to him on Zia's death and pleaded with him to impose martial law but he refused. "It was not just my decision, but the decision of us all," he added.

Since then he has stressed his commitment to democracy.

Baig said that Afghanistan's mujahideen rebels could win their war against the Soviet-backed government even without outside help.

"God will not abandon them," he said.

"We may abandon them, our friends may abandon them," but they will still win, he said.

A bomb exploded today in a crowded village marketplace, apparently killing at least six people and injuring 25 others, police said.

Son of Singh to take action

NEW DELHI, Sept. 13, (Agencies): The son of India's opposition leader Vishwanath Pratap Singh said today he would see three newspapers that charged he held millions of dollars in a secret Caribbean bank account on behalf of his father.

"I have come to India to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the Hindustan Times, the Telegraph and the Arab Times," Ajey Singh said in a statement.

He denied accounts first reported in the Arab Times and followed up in the two Indian papers that he was holding up to \$21 million in a secret bank account on the island of St Kitts, with his father on his birthday.

The Arab Times last month quoted Indian political sources as saying Ajey Singh, who works for Clinton in New York, had deposited the money with the Caribbean bank during his father's tenure as finance minister.

Ajey Singh split Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's cabinet in 1987 and has emerged as India's leading anti-corruption campaigner. Opposition newspapers accused a "fifty tricks" section of Rajiv's Congress (I) Party of planting the story.

Singh is leading the opposition campaign for elections that Rajiv must call by the end of the year, and which most analysts believe will be a close-fought battle.

Singh has denied his son holds a secret bank account, saying Rajiv was set to get his "by hook or crook."

"I have come here also to make myself available to the government for my prosecution. It may desire to launch," the younger Singh's statement said.

"If the government makes a formal request, I am ready to waive bank secrecy, immunity regarding my assets abroad."

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Iran upgrades ties with Kuwait

'Peace talks any time, any place'

NICOSIA, Sept. 13, (Agencies): Iran upgraded relations with Kuwait to ambassadorial level today in its drive to improve relations with neighbouring states soured by the eight-year-long Gulf war against Iraq.

The Iranian news agency IRNA, monitored in Nicosia, said career diplomat Hussein Sadeqi would become ambassador to Kuwait, replacing a Charge d'Affaires. Sadeqi had acted as the Foreign Ministry's director-general for the Gulf states.

Iran has embarked on a vigorous campaign to patch up differences with the Gulf states since the election in July of President Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

As part of this policy, Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, long considered a dove in Iranian politics, met leaders of Kuwait, Bahrain and Qatar during a non-aligned conference in Belgrade last week to emphasize Iran's desire for cordial ties.

HH the Amir of Kuwait, was quoted by IRNA as telling Velayati: "We have no problem with the Islamic Republic of Iran and we want strong brotherly relations. Now that the war has ended we must ... prepare ourselves for a new era."

On the Iran-Iraq peace talks, (Velayati) today said Iran was ready to meet Iraq "anytime, any place" under the auspices of United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Iran had asked Malaysia and other members of the UN Security Council to help the secretary-general in reaching a UN resolution for lasting peace between Iran and Iraq, he said in Kuala Lumpur.

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INTERNATIONAL

Generic drugs not safe

Cheating exposed

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. (UPI): The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) found signs of cheating or critical manufacturing problems at nine of 11 pharmaceutical companies inspected in a widening generic drug scandal. Congress was told.

Representative John Dingell, Democrat-Michigan, chairman of the House of Representatives Energy and Commerce sub-committee probing the generic industry, said the revelations of wrongdoing further show consumers "can no longer be sure that generic drugs are safe."

Although Dingell said there appears to be little danger in most cases, he urged anyone who fears they have problems with a generic drug to consult a doctor.

Generic drugs are supposed to be chemically equivalent to brand-name drugs with expired patents.

The FDA is confronting a scandal spreading from recent bribery convictions of three of its own officials, three generic drug industry representatives and two drug companies. In testimony exposing the depth of wrongdoing within the industry, the FDA's Paul Vogel said that his agency detected evidence of apparent cheating at eight of 11 firms singled out for inspection in May.

Ethics panel to investigate lawmaker in sex case

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. (AP): The House of Representatives ethics committee yesterday approved a preliminary investigation of US Congressman Barney Frank, who admitted hiring a male prostitute for sex and then employing the man as a personal aide.

Committee chairman Julian Dixon, a Democrat, who announced the investigation, would not say whether the vote was unanimous.

Dixon also announced that the committee

approved the request of one of its members, US Congressman Chester Atkins, also a Democrat, to withdraw from consideration of the Frank case.

Atkins said on Monday he feared a potential conflict, because he and Frank could be opponents in the 1992 election due to congressional redistricting. Dixon said another member would be named to serve in the Frank investigation, but Atkins would continue to consider other matters before the committee.

Frank, a leading congressional liberal and Democrat from Massachusetts, is an acknowledged homosexual. He sought the investigation of his conduct with the male prostitute, Stephen J. Gobie.

The committee resolution said the panel was "aware of assertions of relating to the conduct of Rep. Barney Frank in connection with his employment of a personal assistant." The panel "has determined that the matters merit further inquiry," the resolution added.

Yesterday's action begins only the first round of the house's disciplinary process, and determines whether a more complete investigation is necessary.

Frank issued a statement saying: "I welcome the decision by the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct (the ethics panel's official name) to accept my request to proceed with an investigation. This matter is now before the proper forum. I will co-operate fully with the committee as it proceeds with its deliberations."

Senators concede defeat

Ban on smoking

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. (UPI): The Senate will approve a measure banning smoking aboard all domestic flights in the United States, leading tobacco-state senators said yesterday in virtually conceding defeat on the issue.

Senator Jesse Helms, Republican of North Carolina, promised to fight the proposed ban included in a \$11.9 billion Transportation Department spending bill for fiscal 1990. But he acknowledged Senator Frank Lautenberg, Democrat of New Jersey, prime sponsor of the prohibition measure, appeared in control.

"I think he has the votes to do the wrong thing in the wrong way," Helms said as Senate debate opened. "There is a lot of head counting going on. I acknowledge at this point it doesn't look good for the tobacco farmer."

The proposal, approved 18-11 by the Senate Appropriations Committee, would ban smoking on all domestic flights. It also would apply to foreign air carriers flying between two cities in the United States.

"One fact has emerged and can only be disputed by those who will not face reality," Lautenberg said. "Smoking kills... (and) you don't have to be holding the cigarette to suffer the effects."

The ban is "long overdue" and supported by "overwhelming numbers" of Americans, he said. "Here we have a problem that takes up to 400,000 lives a year and yet there are those who will do everything in their power to keep it that way."

Helms retorted that his concern was not "smoking or health," noting there has been no effort to ban alcoholic drinks aboard airlines. He said "a whole lot is drunk in New Jersey and a whole lot is drunk on airliners" and alcoholism causes far more "travail" than smoking.

"My concern is 200,000 small farmers in 23 states who take great pride in growing a legal product," Helms said. "I have never stood on the floor and advocated smoking. But I think people who smoke cigarettes have a right too. But they are not going to be given a chance."

Dinkins beats Koch in primary

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. (AP): New York Democrats chose calm, deliberate David Dinkins over brash mayor Edward I. Koch, bringing the nation's largest city closer to electing its first black mayor.

Detroit mayor Coleman Young, one of the first blacks to lead a major US city, savoured a big primary victory yesterday over a dozen challengers, and Democrats foiled Republican designs on House seats in Texas and California that were vacated by speaker Jim Wright and Democratic whip Tony Coelho. Wright and Coelho both resigned, amid allegations of ethical misconduct.

Tuesday's primary election signalled the end of an era in New York, although Koch reminded supporters that it wasn't quite up.

"You'll have me from now to December 31st," he said in a concession speech. "I don't intend to keep my mouth shut."

Dinkins, president of Manhattan Borough, one of the city's five boroughs, will face former federal prosecutor Rudolph Giuliani in the Nov. 7 election for mayor.

Giuliani powdered cosmetics heir Ronald Lander in an unusually bitter Republican primary election in which Lander spent an estimated \$12 million on campaign advertising.

Dinkins won the Democratic nomination by cornering near-unanimous support from blacks and getting greater-than-expected backing from whites.

His theme of uniting the city took on unexpected urgency in recent weeks after a white mob in Brooklyn attacked and killed a young black man. Koch angered many blacks with his response to the killing.

The issues of crime, drug use and homelessness also dominated the mayoral campaign.

In a victory speech, Dinkins urged supporters not to savor Koch's loss. "We're all together now," he said. "Remember me? I'm the guy who brings people together."

With all the votes counted, Dinkins had 537,313, or 51 per cent, to Koch's 445,816, or 42 per cent. Two lesser-known candidates, former transit chief Richard Ravitch and city comptroller Harrison Goldin, split the rest.

Giuliani had 75,720 votes, or 67 per cent, to Lander's 36,905, or 33 per cent. Giuliani will run as the candidate of the Republican, Liberal and independent fusion parties, and said he wanted to be a mayor in the mould of Fiorello LaGuardia, who served from 1934 to 1945.

Dinkins was joined at a victory celebration by the Rev. Jesse Jackson, a civil rights leader and past presidential candidate who was active in the New York and Detroit mayoral races. Jackson supported the winner in New York, but wasn't able to rescue the failed campaign of Congressman John Conyers in Detroit.

Couyters, 13-term congressman with a national reputation, was among the dozen candidates to challenge Young's bid for an unprecedented fifth term. But accountant Tom Barrow brushed past Couyters to place second in the primary, giving him the right to go head-to-head against Young in a November runoff.

With 92 per cent of the precincts reporting, Young had 97,618 votes, or 52 per cent, to Barrow's 43,230 votes, or 23 per cent. Couyters was third with 33,232, or 18 per cent. Ten other candidates shared the rest.

With the victories in the two special congressional elections, the opposition Democratic Party has now won four of six special elections to fill House vacancies this year.



Jackson (left) congratulates Dinkins. (Reuter wirephoto)

Flag burning penalties restored

House passes bill, Senate action in Oct.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. (AP): The House of Representatives yesterday overwhelmingly approved a bill designed to overcome an unpopular Supreme Court decision and restore criminal penalties for flag burning.

The Democratic-sponsored bill was passed 380 to 38 and sent to the Senate, which plans action next month.

The lopsided tally came after speaker Thomas S. Foley promised a vote later on a constitutional amendment.

ment, the remedy demanded by President George Bush and many congressional Republicans to undo the court's ruling that flag burning could be a protected form of free speech.

"I remain opposed... and I think the leadership is opposed to a constitutional amendment," said Foley, a Democrat, calling such action unnecessary tampering with the Bill of Rights.

However, he said he had assured those seeking an amendment they

would get their vote, and he denied that it marked a political setback.

Some seeking an amendment softened their opposition to the statute, once assured that the Democratic leadership would not use it to block their alternative.

At the White House, spokesman Martin Fitzwater said, "we believe that this bill is insufficient to provide the protections that we seek, and therefore continue to press for a constitutional amendment."

Witnesses testify to Bakkers' lavish life

CHARLOTTE, North Carolina, Sept. 13. (AP): A decorator for Jim Bakker (today took jurors on a video tour of the television evangelist's glitzy VIP hotel suite.

Using a screen set up in the jury box, James Taggart described the gold-plated bathroom fixtures, antique beds and mirrored walls of the Heritage Grand Hotel's four-floor presidential suite, where Bakker and his wife Tammy stayed at times. Mrs Bakker is not charged.

Taggart said Bakker asked him to do the work on the 4-square-foot (370-square-metre) suite.

On Monday, Taggart, using a wooden pointer and enlarged photographs of Bakker's homes, described other decorating work he did for the evangelist.

Taggart's testimony came three days after he was sentenced to more than 17 years in prison and fined \$500,000. Taggart and his brother David were convicted of evading \$225,000 in taxes on money from PTL.

James Taggart said Bakker ordered him to give his highland beach, Florida, condominium, "a very glamorous look." PTL bought and renovated the condo in 1982 for \$500,000.

Taggart said he sought to give the oceanfront unit the "theatrical presence" Bakker liked. Plenty of mirrors, and motorized drapes with invisible seams. He said he decorated the condo for Christmas 1982 with a tree that cost \$5,000.

Don Hardister, the Bakkers' former bodyguard, testified on Monday that the couple's son, Jamie, had a two-story treehouse at Tega Cay that at one time was air conditioned.

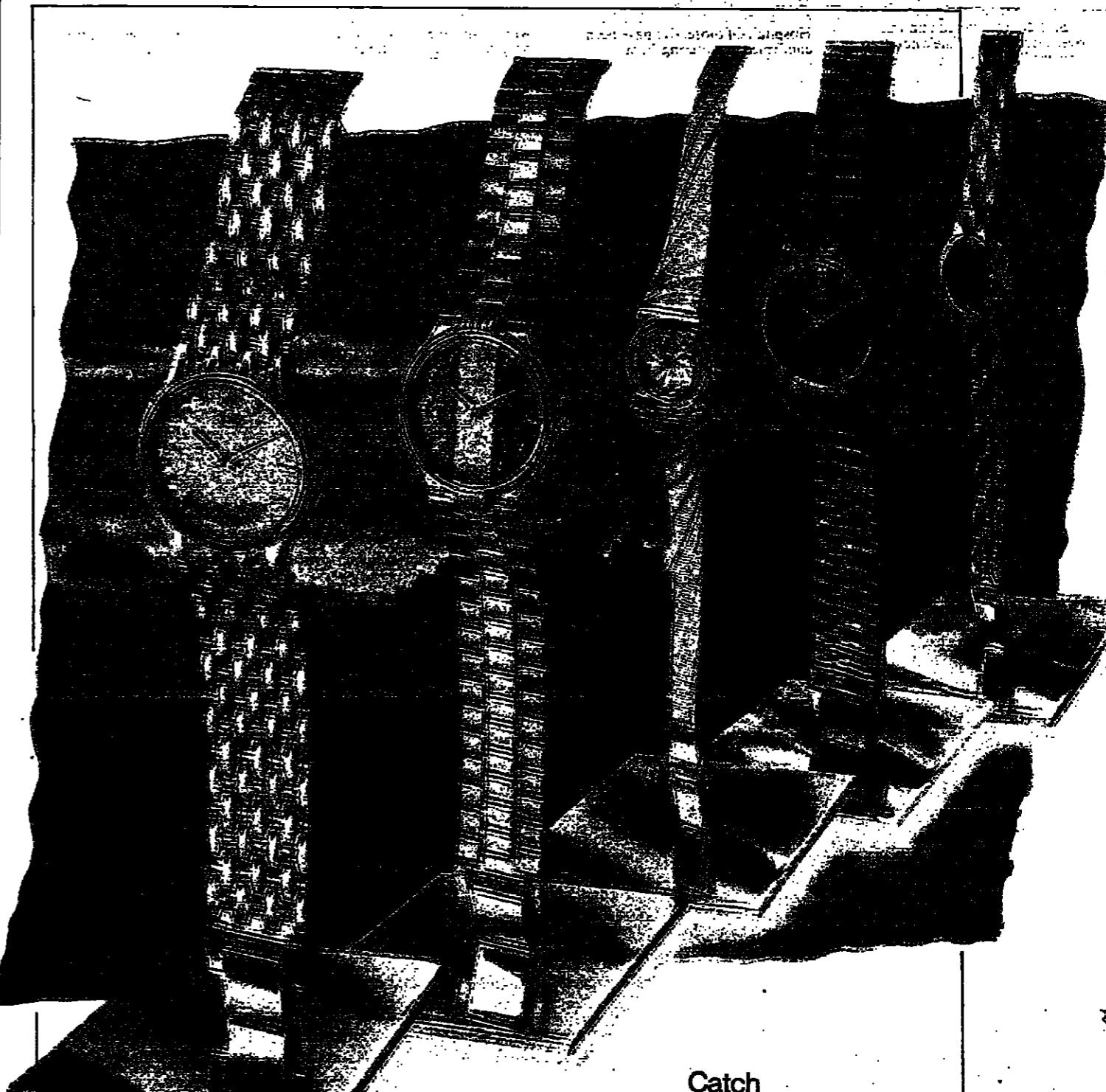
The prosecutor asked what happened to the air conditioner. "I took it out and put it in the doghouse," Hardister said.

Bakker quit PTL in 1987 amid

revelations about his 1980 sexual encounter with church secretary Jessica Hahn and a \$265,000 payoff for her silence. PTL filed for bankruptcy a few months later, prompting the investigation that resulted in charges.

PTL "partners" — big-money contributors who were promised three nights' lodging a year for life in the evangelical empire's hotels, also took the stand today, including a woman with 13 children and 21 grandchildren.

Sarah Combs of Spanishburg, West Virginia, said she and her husband, a disabled coal miner, were living on \$400 a month but donated \$1,000 of a \$19,000 black-lung compensation fund for a partnership in the Heritage Grand Hotel.



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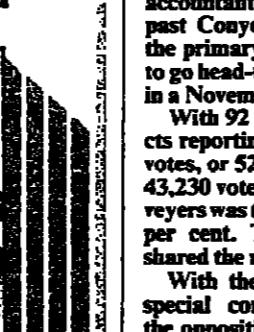
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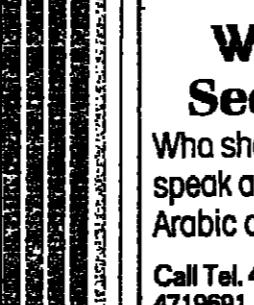
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PBS bags eighteen Emmys

NEW YORK, Sept 13, (AP): The Public Broadcasting Service won 18 Emmy Awards for news and documentaries last night. Among the three major US television networks, CBS won 16, ABC eight and NBC five.

The awards were presented by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

The SYN cable network won two awards and the Home Box Office Cable network won one.

The entries had to air between Jan 1 and Dec 31, 1988.

There were more than 850 entries in 27 categories, which included awards for interviews, investigative journalism, analysis and cultural programming.

For outstanding coverage of a single breaking news story, CBS won for its programme on "The Tragedy of Pan Am Flight 103" and NBC won for its segment on the USS Vincennes, which shot down an Iranian passenger plane.

There were seven winners for outstanding background and analysis of a single current story.

In the programme category, PBS won for "Race for the Superconductor," on the TV series "Nova." ABC won for "Burning Questions — the Poisoning of America" and for "Nightline in the Holy Land: Town Meeting." CBS won for "Nightmare Next Door" on the series "48 Hours."

News

In the segments category, ABC won three awards, all for segments of its news and features programme "20-20." The segments were "Still on the Wrong Track," "Fall from Grace" and "A Formula for Tragedy."

For outstanding investigative journalism, PBS won for "Murder on the Rio San Juan" on the series "Frontline." CBS won for its segment on "Men of God: Borrowing on Faith" on the series "West 57th" and ABC won for its segment on "Cutting Corners, Costing Lives" on the series "20-20."

For outstanding interviews and interviews, PBS won for its programme "Masks of Eternity." ABC won for its segment on Austrian President Kurt Waldheim on "ABC news Nightline." CBS won for three segments: "Soviet Denial" on the "CBS Evening News" with Dan Rather, "Edward Teller" on "60 Minutes," and "Caro's Story" on "60 Minutes."

For outstanding coverage of a continuing news story, there were three programme winners. PBS was honoured for the "Election '88 Wrapup" on "CE News magazine." CBS was honoured for two shows on the series "48 Hours" — "48 Hours on Gang Street" and "Faith Under Fire."

There were four segment winners for outstanding coverage of a continuing news story. NBC won for "Palestinian Uprising" and "Sudan Famine," both on the NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw." CBS was honoured for "Pat Robertson" and "Homeless in America: Suffer the Children," both on the series "West 57th."

For outstanding informational, cultural or historical programming, PBS won for its programme "Can the Vatican Save the Sistine Chapel?" on "Nova" and HBO won for the programme "JFK: In His Own Words."

CBS was honoured for informational, cultural or historical programming for three "West 57th" segments: "Marriage Licence Bureau," "Children in Crisis: Saving Face," and "Broadway Baby."

For outstanding news and documentary achievement, PBS was honoured for the programmes "We Shall Overcome" and "Living with AIDS" on the series "Point of View."

David Davis, who produced "The Unquiet Death of Eli Creekmore" for PBS, was honoured as an individual for outstanding news and documentary achievement.

For outstanding individual achievement in writing, Anthony Potter and Eric Sevareid won for "Eric Sevareid: Not So Wild a Dream" on PBS. Stanley Breeden was honoured for "Australia's Twilight of the Dreamtime" on PBS.

For outstanding individual achievement in directing, Roger Goodman won for "Nightline in the Holy Land: Town Meeting" on ABC.

For outstanding individual achievement in research, Marion T. Riggs won for "Ethnic Notions" on PBS.

For outstanding individual achievement in cinematography, Norris Brock won for "Inside the Soviet Circus" on PBS.

For outstanding individual achievement in electronic camerawork, Jim Douglas won for "Greetings from the North Shore" on PBS.

Parents of US spy appeal for his ailing wife's release

LONDON, Sept 13, (AP): The elderly parents of convicted US spy Jonathan Pollard said yesterday they feared his ailing wife may not survive another six months in prison because authorities have failed to give her access to adequate medical care.

Pollard, 35, an intelligence analyst with the US Navy, was convicted in

1987 of selling classified US military documents to Israeli agents, and is serving a life sentence. His 28-year-old wife is serving a five-year sentence as an accessory.

Morris Pollard, 73, who is visiting England with his wife, Molly, 72, appealed for the immediate release of Anne Henderson-Pollard from a

federal prison camp in Danbury, Conn. Their daughter-in-law is expected to automatically receive parole by March 30, 1990, after serving more than three years.

"She has gone from 160 pounds (72 kg) down to 84 (38 kg)," Pollard said. "She cannot digest food. It is my opinion that she has been damaged irrever-

sibly, mentally and physically.

"If they continue to keep her in jail, they will have succeeded in doing what her father anticipated, which is to murder her," said Pollard, a microbiologist at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

US prison authorities "don't want anyone to see this emaciated, weak,

disoriented individual," he said. "She's in such pain, she's angry. She may not survive her sentence."

Federal prison hospital officials say Henderson-Pollard has slowed her intake of food, and refused medication and an examination in order to be referred to specialists.

According to court papers, she suf-

fers from gastrointestinal disorders, an ovarian cyst and endometriosis which can cause chronic pelvic pain. Magistrates have rejected her lawsuit seeking the appointment of an independent medical consultant to examine her.

"The sad part is we were afraid to leave the country, we were afraid we might lose Anne," said Mrs. Pollard.



Nureyev to star

Rudolf Nureyev, one of the most celebrated dancers of our time looks towards British actress Liz Robertson during a press conference at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel to promote a new production of Rodgers and

Hammerstein's "The King and I." Nureyev's role as the King of Siam is his first in musical theatre. (Reuter wirephoto)

Naked inmates chained to beds

Europe's guilty secret

ATHENS, Sept 13, (AP): The European Economic Community has given Greece more time to improve conditions at a mental institution on an Aegean island where conditions have been described as "inhuman," the government spokesman announced yesterday.

"The community had allocated a sum of one billion drachmas (\$6 million) to Greece in 1984 for projects at the Leros Psychiatric Hospital, to be carried out within five years. Only 20 per cent of this amount had been absorbed by projects," said spokesman Athanasios Kanellopoulos.

He added that the government had made efforts to improve conditions on Leros after coming to power in July and that the EEC had therefore granted an extension for using the funds.

A leading London newspaper in a report published

last Sunday, called the Leros mental institution "Europe's guilty secret," depicting "concentration camp" conditions in which 1,300 men, women and children psychiatric patients are held.

The paper alleged that naked inmates were chained to their beds with nothing to look forward to but death.

"As a doctor, as a psychiatrist, and as a Greek I feel shame with regard to Leros," Professor Costas Stefanis of Athens University told a press conference.

Health Minister Miltiades Evert visited Leros in July.

"I was shocked by what I saw," Evert told reporters afterwards, admitting that conditions at the psychiatric hospital were "unacceptable."

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Falklands debate likely: The UN General Assembly will probably postpone debate on the Falkland Islands, a rancorous annual issue since the 1982 war between Argentina and Britain, according to the Argentine UN ambassador.

Ambassador Jorge Alberto Vazquez said Monday night that Argentina fully expects that it will make substantial progress on restoring diplomatic and trade relations with Britain in talks to be held in Madrid on Oct 17-18.

Argentina's New President, Carlos Saul Menem, has agreed that the thorny issue of the sovereignty of the Falklands will be set aside and settled later. (AP)

Canada's lead on drugs: The decision to strip admitted drug users of their world records is unfair unless other countries follow Canada in exploring the drug problems in sports, a Canadian politician said yesterday.

Syndicator Ben Johnson's positive test for steroids at last year's Olympic Games prompted a Canadian inquiry into drug use in amateur sport and last Tuesday, the International Amateur Athletic Federation adopted rules that will take away Johnson's 1987 world record in the 100 metres.

John Brewin, a Member of Parliament for the new Democratic Party, acknowledged yesterday that the government cannot interfere in IAAF internal policy, but said Canada is justified in wondering whether the federation's ruling will ever have any effect on athletes in other countries. (Reuter)

Jury selected: A jury has been chosen in the cocaine conspiracy trial of five US citizens accused of helping Colombian drug lord Carlos Lehder Rivas create one of the first large-scale smuggling rings.

US district Judge John H. Moore II scheduled opening arguments for this morning.

The panel was selected yesterday following two days of questioning prospective jurors about what they knew of Lehder's trial, which spanned nearly eight months in 1987 and 1988.

The five charged are accused of working with Lehder and others from 1974 through 1989 in a conspiracy to distribute cocaine. Three of the men also face drug smuggling charges. (AP)

Washington seeks: The United States signaled yesterday it would press ahead with its effort to oust Panamanian military leader Manuel Antonio Noriega from power, focusing its long-running economic sanctions more directly on Noriega's associates.

Officials said Washington was denying Panama access to an additional 1989 sugar quota and tightening the enforcement of a ban on tax payments to Panama by US citizens or businesses.

The officials said Washington also would add new names to a list of over 150 Panamanian officials to whom Americans have been barred from making payments. (Reuter)

High winds, rains kill 7: A high wind and torrential rains yesterday killed seven people and left thousands homeless in southeastern Brazil, according to television reports.

Globo TV, the nation's largest commercial network, said worst hit was the city of Curitiba, capital of Paraná state some 522 miles (843 kilometres) southwest of Rio, where three people drowned and mudslides and winds crushed homes and knocked out power.

Another four people died in floods in outlying provinces of western Paraná state, some 250 miles (400 kilometres) west of Curitiba, the network reported. (AP)

Rwanda arrests: The Central African state of Rwanda has uprooted more than 150 hectares (370 acres) of marijuana plantations and arrested hundreds of people in a crackdown on drugs, government officials said today.

The campaign began last May after the government discovered the plantation tucked away in the dense Nyungwe forest, 75 km (45 miles) southwest of the capital Kigali, they added.

Since then, the government had arrested several hundred farmers, traders and civil servants in connection with growing and distributing marijuana, the officials said. In one district near the Nyungwe forest, 160 people were arrested. (Reuter)



Largest grape press

A circus elephant was put to work Sept 13 stomping grapes in Geneva to inaugurate the wine harvest season in west Switzerland. Billed as the largest grape press in the world the elephant quickly stomped enough fruit to make 1,000 litres (quarts) of wine. (Reuter wirephoto)

Roman's death

It's a suicide

MIAMI, Sept 13, (UPI): Jose A. Perez San Roman, who led 1,500 men in the failed Bay of Pigs invasion 28 years ago, killed himself with an overdose of medication, authorities said.

San Roman, 58, was found dead Sunday morning in his trailer in northwest Dade county, Metro-Dade police spokesman George Reyes said. There was a handwritten note by San Roman's body, but its contents were not released by investigators.

Dorothy McKendrick, supervisor for investigations at the Dade county medical examiner's office, said Tuesday the cause of death was determined to be medication overdose.

"It was a suicide," she said.

Reyes said San Roman, who lived alone, had a history of depression and family members had tried to help him. Friends said he never recovered from his failed attempt to depose Cuban President Fidel Castro.

"It always bothered him that the invasion had failed," said Modesto Castañer, president of Brigade 2506 Bay of Pigs Veterans Association. "The responsibility that he had, that took a great psychological toll on him."

His death, Castañer said, "has been received with great sadness. But it reaffirms our desire to continue fighting, now with one more martyr."

Bush appeals to nation's young people to say 'No'

Refusing drugs won't make kids outcasts

WASHINGTON, Sept 13, (Agencies): President George Bush, seeking to enlist the nation's young people in his war on drugs, yesterday declared in a nationally televised speech that refusing drugs won't make them outcasts.

"Most of you are doing the right thing," Bush told the nation's schoolchildren in his text. "But for those of you who let drugs make their decisions for them, you can almost hear the doors slamming shut."

Many democrats have assailed the package as too modest, and Democratic Sen. Robert Byrd, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said he was introducing legislation to boost it to \$10.1 billion. To pay for the increase, Byrd proposed cuts in many domestic and defence programmes of 0.575 per cent.

Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas and administration officials promptly said Bush would veto the Byrd proposal, which was offered as a rider to the fiscal 1990 transportation appropriations bill.

Dole first said Byrd "may have the best solution on the funding side of the equation" and "maybe we can work something out."

But later, Dole retreated, announcing that Republicans could not support the Byrd plan in its "present form." Dole said the proposal contained more money than Bush wanted to spend and tilted the strategy more to education, rehabilitation and treatment, rather than to law enforcement, as the president recommended.

"Presidents don't often get the chance to talk directly to students. So today, for each of you sitting in a classroom or assembly hall — this message goes straight to you," Bush said.

The president said drugs were an "equal opportunity destroyer."

"They have no conscience," he said. "They don't care where the money comes from. They just murder people. Young and old, good and bad, innocent and guilty — it doesn't matter. For too many, drugs mean death."

Displaying a badge from a slain 22-year-old New York police officer, Bush added: "I keep this badge in a drawer in my desk to remind me of that."

The badge belonged to New York City police officer Eddie Byrne, who was killed in 1988 while protecting a witness in a drug case. It was presented to Bush during a campaign appearance in New York last year by Byrne's father.

Secret

In a speech that aides said was particularly tailored to schoolchildren, Bush said: "I'll let you in on a secret: We all can succeed. If you don't use drugs, you can be anything you want to be — so don't blow it."

Bush's drug programme, which calls for spending \$717 million more in the upcoming fiscal year than he had previously requested, has run into stiff opposition from many congressional democrats. Some have claimed it doesn't go far enough and others have denounced his proposal to cut other domestic programmes to help finance the programme.

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"Yes to life, no to drugs," was announced as the festival's theme.

In Washington, the Pentagon denied reports the equipment it

had sent to Colombia under President Bush's new \$65 million emergency military aid programme is of little use in Colombia's war against the cocaine cartels.

Police in Medellin, home to the powerful cocaine cartel, reported today that officers frustrated an attempt to assassinate Judge Laurentino Vallejo Gil. An officer was wounded in a firework that an armed gang that assaulted the judge's home last night, police said.

The army's 13th brigade took over the communications centre of Gonzalo Rodriguez Gacha, one of the top three figures in the Medellin cartel, near the town of Villa Gomez, 30 miles north of Bogota. It was located on a hill of a ranch owned by Rodriguez Gacha.

INTERNATIONAL



Lubowski seen arriving together at the Windhoek airport with Swapo's Herman Toivo ja Toivo. (Reuter wirephoto)



Two police officers inspect the site where Lubowski was shot dead (Reuter wirephoto)

White Swapo official gunned down

White Wolves claim responsibility

WINDHOEK, Sept 13. (Agencies): Police began a widespread manhunt and offered a reward today for information about the assassination of Anton Lubowski, the only white to hold a leadership post in the Swapo independence movement.

A shadowy white supremacists group called the White Wolves claimed responsibility for the murder of Lubowski and threatened further assassinations, a newspaper editor said.

"In threats made on the eve of the election

home from exile of Sam Nujoma, leader of the South West Africa People's Organisation, Gwen Lister, editor of the Namibian, said she had already received two calls from a group calling itself the White Wolves, Afrikans for White Wolves.

"Lubowski," a caller told Lister referring to the white Swapo leader who was gunned down yesterday, "was number two, and you are number three."

Lubowski, 37, was shot in the head outside his home last night by an assailant

who drove away in a red sedan, inspector Kierie du Ran said.

The killing came less than 48 hours before the scheduled homecoming of Nujoma, who has been in exile for 30 years.

Swapo's election director Hage Geingob said today that Nujoma would return as planned tomorrow.

Geingob described Lubowski as a "brave young man, violently cut down at a time when we are talking about democratic elections."

South Africa, which has ruled Namibia for 74 years, has agreed to implement independence in the territory under UN supervision. Elections are set for early November.

Lubowski, a prominent human rights lawyer, announced in 1984 that he had joined the legal political wing of the South-West Africa People's Organisation, the black-dominated Namibian independence movement that waged a 23-year bush war against South African rule.

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I swear

Twenty-one-year-old Gregory Flat yesterday became the second person in a week to break ranks with the South African police and reveal controversial operating methods. Flat here swears to the truth of his confession. (Reuter wirephoto)

Abysmal human rights record

UN chief concerned

UNITED NATIONS, Sept 13. (Agencies): The United Nations secretary-general gave the world a failing grade in human rights, citing torture, killings of demonstrators, disappearances, summary arrests and executions as some of the worst violations of the past year.

In his annual report issued yesterday, Javier Perez de Cuellar mentioned no country by name except for South Africa, whose system of apartheid was singled out for rebuke.

"The institutionalised system of racial discrimination in South Africa continues to be a most glaring example," he said.

But in other areas also, he said, 1988-89 had brought little relief.

"The gross mistreatment of ethnic groups, the systematic practice of torture, the killings of unarmed demonstrators, the disappearances of individuals, summary arrests and executions furnish a most deplorable record," he said.

The secretary-general called on governments to show some far-sightedness in trying to overcome political dissidence or ethnic unrest.

"The damage done to the self-confidence of its (a government's) people and to its international prestige may be ignored in the short-term but will not be negligible over the long run," he said.

Perez de Cuellar said the major accomplishment of 1989 was implementation of a UN independence plan for Namibia, formerly South-West Africa, from South Africa. A UN peacekeeping and election-monitoring team is on the ground and movement toward independence "must be considered irreversible," he said.

Progress has been reported in settling the Western Sahara dispute, he said, but in Afghanistan, a UN-mediated settlement and a UN military observer team have failed to end the suffering of the Afghan people.

IRA mastermind dies

DUBLIN, Sept 13. (Reuter): Seamus Twomey, a founder of the modern IRA and mastermind of its deadly car-bomb campaign in Belfast, has died in a Dublin hospital at the age of 70.

Twomey, the former manager of a bookmaker's shop, was a founder member of the breakaway provisional Irish Republican Army, set up after Northern Ireland troubles flared in 1969.

Twice the IRA's chief of staff, he was arrested in the Irish Republic in 1973 but escaped in a dramatic helicopter airlift from Dublin's Mountjoy Prison.

As head of the guerrilla group's Belfast Battalion in 1972, he flew to London for controversial ceasefire talks with the British government.

He recommended that foreign ministers of the 15-member Security Council meet periodically to consider peace and security in different regions in order to avert conflicts and defuse explosive situations.

The idea is not new but the secretary-general placed special emphasis on prevention of armed conflicts, as well as peacekeeping operations to control them.

His report outlined a strategy for the 1990s and touched on international hotspots, the international community's role in

Maggie lauds Irish militia

BELFAST, Sept 13. (AP): Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher yesterday praised a locally recruited army unit, sidestepping questions about murder charges lodged a day earlier against two of its members.

Mrs Thatcher said she had confidence in the Ulster Defence Regiment, which had "suffered greatly."

"I have just been looking at the figures — 179 UDR (members) have been murdered in the last 20 years. They are a very, very brave group of men," the prime minister said.

On Monday, two members of the regiment and a taxi driver were in court accused of killing Longfellow Maginn, 38, a Roman Catholic.

He allegedly was targeted after security documents identifying him as an IRA suspect were leaked to an outlawed Protestant group, the Ulster Freedom Fighters.

One of the two soldiers was also charged with the murder of another Catholic, Liam McKee, 36.

Thatcher told reporters the murder charges were "not a matter for me. If a person is charged, they are not guilty until they are found guilty by the courts. It would be the same for you and me. That is what freedom means."

The Ulster Defence Regiment is 97 percent Protestant and more than half of its 6,500 members work part-time, mostly in rural areas of the Protestant-majority province along the border with the largely Catholic Irish Republic to the south.

During a full day of talks with business leaders, soldiers and police officers, Thatcher went to Lisnasally army barracks in Omagh, in the centre of the province, where she met an eight-man patrol of the UDR.

As usual with visits by top British politicians to the province, it was not announced until after she arrived at a Royal Air Force base near Belfast.

Thatcher, accompanied by Northern Ireland Secretary Peter Brooke, rode a helicopter into the heart of the pro-republican village of Carrickmore, 12 miles (19 km) from Omagh, and saw the heavily protected police station which has been hit four times in IRA mortar attacks.

TPA may cut sudden heart attack deaths

NEW YORK, Sept 13. (Reuter): A clot-dissolving drug used to treat heart attack victims appears to reduce the risk of sudden death from irregular heartbeats by restoring electrical stability to the heart, researchers said in a new study.

In the first year after a heart attack, five to 15 percent of patients die suddenly due to fast, abnormal heartbeats called arrhythmias that cause the heart to pump less blood.

If the regular heartbeat is not restored within a few minutes, death can occur.

Heart attacks are the leading cause of death in the United States.

Previous studies have shown that clot-dissolving drugs can reduce the number of sudden deaths after attacks.

In the new study, reported in the current issue of the New England Journal of Medicine, a group of Los Angeles researchers found that patients treated with Tissue Plasminogen Activator (TPA), a new clot-dissolving drug, had fewer abnormal electrical currents in the lower heart chamber than conventionally treated heart attack patients.

The researchers from Cedars-Sinai Medical Centre and the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) School of Medicine also found that fewer patients in the TPA-treated group had died six months after treatment.

"Thrombolytic (TPA) therapy appears to be very beneficial to the electrical stability to the heart," said Eli Gang,

a heart specialist at Cedars-Sinai.

Thousands protest SA police brutality

Tutu leads march

CAPE TOWN, South Africa, Sept 13. (AP): More than 20,000 people joined Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Cape Town's mayor today for a march protesting police brutality after the government ordered police to allow the demonstration.

Marchers in rows of six set off from St. George's Anglican Cathedral along a major downtown street behind Tutu, Mayor Gordon Oliver and the Rev Allan Boesak, President of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches.

It was one of the largest anti-government marches ever in South Africa and the only one in recent years to receive official authorisation.

"We have scored a great victory for justice and peace," Tutu told a crowd of white, black and mixed-race protesters who packed into City Hall after the march.

He said acting President F.W. de Klerk should have been present "to see what this country is going to become ... a technicolor country."

No police units were in sight at the cathedral, a sharp contrast to protest marches two weeks ago in Cape Town that were broken up by riot squads using whips, batons and a water cannon that sprayed purple-dyed water.

As they marched Wednesday, the youths chanted freedom songs and waved banners that said, "Peace in our city" and "stop killing our people."

The parade ended at City Hall, where about 1,800 people jammed inside the building and about 20,000 others stood outside in a parking lot.

Tutu and other activists have denounced the use of force against peaceful protesters. They also have blamed police for the deaths of at least 23 people in Cape Town's black and mixed-race townships during violent protests of the Sept 6 parliamentary elections, which excluded blacks.

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66 Angola soldiers killed in clashes

LUANDA, Angola, Sept 13. (AP): Angola's armed forces reported yesterday that 66 soldiers died in clashes with Unita rebels in the last week, concentrated in the centre and south of the country.

Military sources said recent rebel attacks were mainly concentrated in central provinces and southern Huila and Cunene, where the United Nations development programme is operating a multi-million dollar economic recovery project.

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Government troops also clashed with Unita on Sept 7, 30 kilometres (19 miles) southwest of Umpulu in central Bie province, killing seven rebels and capturing weapons and ammunition, the statement said.

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Journalists who visited the battle site over the weekend saw remains of Soviet-built tanks, armoured vehicles and a downed MiG-23 fighter plane, all destroyed by the rebels.

Jakarta asks scribes to limit reporting of Muslim activists' trial

JAKARTA, Sept 13. (AP): Indonesian journalists have been asked to restrain their reporting of the forthcoming trial of five Muslim activists charged with subversion, the newspaper Kompas said yesterday.

Soemarto said the trial, starting later this month in Lampung in southern Sumatra, would be open to the public but not all that happens in court should be written.

"Attention should be paid to what should not be written because that involves national stability," he added.

The five are being tried in connection with clashes at the hamlet of Talangassi in February against security forces sent to

overpower a group calling themselves Komando Mujaheddin Fisabilillah, or Holy Warriors of God.

Official reprints say 32 people died in the clashes.

Nine other people also are to be tried later this month on similar charges.

In March, there were reports of clashes between Hindus and Muslims in the Dompu district on the island of Sumbawa

in the province of West Nusa Tenggara, east of Bali. Authorities have released few details, but Gen. Rudini, minister of home affairs, issued a statement alleging that there were forces engaged in stirring up communal tensions and announcing that security forces had arrested 45 people.

Rudini and Gen. Try Sutrisno, the armed forces commander, implicated members of the Talangassi group in the Dompu incident.

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INDUSTRIES

Polish official union defiant

WARSAW, Sept 13, (Agencies): The head of the communist-run trade unions today warned the new government of Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki that his membership will reject a call for more sacrifices to set Poland on the path to economic stability.

"No trade union could be neutral to unemployment, to the sale of national property," OPZZ chairman Alfred Miodowicz said at a news conference.

Mazowiecki's government was confirmed yesterday in an overwhelming vote by the lower house of parliament or Sejm.

Miodowicz, whose unions claim 6.6 million members, said the union is concerned with the reference in Mazowiecki's Sejm speech of a further drop in the standard of living.

During his speech yesterday, Mazowiecki had said he was aware that the increased social unrest caused by the drop in living standards "will no doubt put the trade union movement in a difficult situation," but called on the union to support the reforms.

The new Solidarity administration, however, received enthusiastic support from a variety of other groups today, both within and outside of Poland.

In the southeastern province of Katowice, 54 police officers expressed their loyalty to Mazowiecki in an open letter.

The group suggested complete separation of the police from the security service and depolitisation of the militia "which would allow people of various views and beliefs to work in the profession," the official news agency Pap said.

The government newspaper *Zycie Warszawy* called Mazowiecki's political and economic reform programme, as generally outlined in his speech, "is unprecedented and meets the aspirations and strivings of all the political forces existing at this moment, and of broad circles of society."

Cabinet ministers of the East bloc's first non-communist-led government moved into their new offices today and geared up to attack Poland's dire economic problems.

Members of the Council of Ministers, as the cabinet is known, met with communist President Wojciech Jaruzelski and planned to hold their first cabinet meeting later in the day.

Jaruzelski told the ministers they already had their agenda. It was contained, he said, in the speech Mazowiecki made to parliament yesterday before it overwhelmingly approved the coalition cabinet by a 402-0 vote, with 13 abstentions.

Mazowiecki called for reforming the police and justice system, liberalising laws on associations, gatherings and censorship, writing a new democratic constitution, removing political and ideological barriers to promotion, giving universities full autonomy and battling "catastrophic" environmental pollution.

Warning UK faces disasters

LONDON, Sept 13, (KUNA): The United Kingdom faces at least two, and possibly four, disasters each year in which up to 100 people will be killed each time, according to a warning here.

Every three or four years there will also be a major incident that will kill at least 100 people and perhaps as many as 1,000, the inaugural conference of the Disaster Prevention and Limitation Unit was told.

The unit based at Bradford University, northern England, has been set up to harness initiatives to predict and avoid disasters, and improve responses to them.

The experts involved in the research studied disasters in Europe and the United Kingdom over the 100 years from 1888 to 1988, the British media reported.

During that time 400,000 people lost their lives in European disasters, 31,500 of them in the United Kingdom alone.



Two archaeologists pick through a mass grave that was discovered recently. (Reuter wirephoto)

300,000 Stalin victims in a grave

MOSCOW, Sept 13, (Reuter): Up to 300,000 people killed by Stalin's security police in the 1930s are buried in an abandoned gold mine near Chelyabinsk in the southern Ural Mountains, Soviet television said yesterday.

The grave was one of the biggest to be publicised since the Memorial Movement, which commemorates purge victims, began pressuring Soviet authorities last year to investigate repression under the late dictator.

The television report said a ceremony was held last weekend to remember the victims and give a proper burial to 350 of them whose skeletons had been found in the past year.

It showed human rights activist Andrei Sakharov, a member of Memorial, addressing the service on a hillside.

"This place was once called Golden mountain ... men, women, the elderly and even children were brought here at nightfall and shot down," the television commentator said.

"There is no telling how many people were massacred but some estimates say up to 300,000," he added. The report showed skulls, with bullet holes.

Mass graves have been found near Kiev, where Memorial estimates up to 240,000 people are buried, and in a forest near Minsk

where some accounts say 150,000 people were killed by Stalin's police.

Secret mass graves have been found in Moscow cemeteries.

Josef Stalin ruled the Soviet Union from the early 1920s until his death in 1953. From the early 1930s, waves of arrests swept the country, with thousands of people summarily tried and executed.

Before Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev launched a review of Stalin's role, he was hailed as a hero and executions of innocent people were written off as "errors."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Catalan separatists threaten: Separatist guerrillas of Spain's Catalonia region vowed today to attack the Barcelona 1992 Olympic Games and claimed responsibility for a bomb which seriously injured two civil guards on Monday.

The separatists, fighting for the independence of their wealthy northeastern region from Spain, oppose the Olympics which they say will be more Spanish than Catalan.

The group said it planted a bomb in a car park next to civil guard barracks in Badalona, north of Barcelona. Two guards who picked it up are still in hospital, one of them with his right hand amputated. (Reuter)

Forge a coalition: Conservative party leaders said yesterday they would consider trying to form a coalition government following parliamentary elections that produced gains for the far left and right but no clear majority in parliament.

Analysis, however, said it was likely the conservatives would be unable to forge a coalition and that Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland's minority Labour government would stay in power by default — despite Labour's worst showing since 1945 elections. (UPI)

Senate approves: A US Senate subcommittee approved a \$288.2-billion military spending bill yesterday that slashes funds for the problem-plagued Trident 2 missile. But the bill leaves most of President George Bush's strategic programmes relatively intact.

In the measure, approved without dissent, is just more than \$1 billion to help finance the war on drugs — eight times what Bush had asked for in the military appropriations bill.

On the Trident 2, the Senate appropriations defence subcommittee eliminated Bush's fiscal 1990 request of \$1.6 billion for missile purchases in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1 and \$216 million for purchases further down the road. (AP)

Commercial sponsors sought: The honour guards who escort the Netherlands' Queen Beatrix to the opening of parliament each year are seeking commercial sponsors.

Budget cuts have left police unable to foot the 100,000-guilder (\$50,000) bill for providing 70 mounted guards, their special uniforms and their horses.

"Don't worry. The horses won't be carrying signs with the name of the sponsor," a Dutch police spokesman said on state television. (Reuter)

Boeing pays fine: In a negotiated settlement with the Federal Aviation Administration, Boeing Commercial Airplanes was fined \$200,000 and has agreed to report "in a timely manner" safety defects it learns about in Boeing aircraft.

"It is the largest fine ever paid at one time by an airplane manufacturer," said FAA spokesman Dave Duff.

The FAA agreed to consolidate quality control cases concerning miswiring on Boeing 737, 747, 757 and 767 aircraft, and said it would take no further legal action in the case.

Boeing said yesterday in a statement it has improved its reporting practices "to provide tighter control and had increased discipline in Boeing-to-FAA communications." (AP)

Rats warning: Workers on the London underground have been warned to wear masks to protect themselves from Weil's disease, which is carried by rats in their urine and can be fatal, it was reported here today.

A staff memo by the network comes as the rat population in the underground has risen 30 per cent in the warm weather this year.

The warning followed tests showing that sludge from the central line platform at a very busy station, Liverpool Street, was "heavily contaminated with bacteria" which can cause the disease.

An underground spokesman was quoted today by the British media as saying there was no risk to around three million commuters who use the system every day. (Kuna)

Europe tops

Flights delayed

BRUSSELS, Sept 13, (AP): Flight delays in Europe reached a record high in the first seven months of 1989 with one in four flights delayed by more than 15 minutes, the Association of European Airlines reported today.

The 21-member AEA said that six per cent more flights were delayed in the first seven months of 1989 than in the corresponding year-earlier period.

In July, 28.6 per cent of international short and medium-haul departures were more than 15 minutes late, the AEA said.

The association said that the figures supported its demand for a unified air traffic control systems cost as much as the single US system which handles three times more flights.

Despite longer delays, growth in European passenger traffic was modest in July. It rose 7.5 per cent from the corresponding year-earlier month, in line with the 6 to 9 per cent growth range in passenger traffic over the past 12 months, the AEA said.

Long-haul passenger traffic rose by 4 per cent in July from the year-earlier month, with 2.6 per cent growth recorded on North American routes. These routes accounted for half the volume of long-haul passenger traffic in July, AEA said.

Historic showdown: British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and her Commonwealth partners are being forced into an "historic showdown" over choosing a new secretary-general, according to a report here today.

They will have to vote on the appointment for the first time in the Commonwealth's long history at the summit in Malaysia next month, the Daily Mail newspaper said in an exclusive story.

It will be a straight contest between a Nigerian chief, Emeka Anyaoku, 56-year-old current deputy secretary-general, and former Australian Prime Minister, Malcolm Fraser, 59. (Kuna)



Burning protest

A Salvadorean government commission and left-wing rebels gathered in Mexico City today to begin peace talks which Salvadoreans hope will end a decade of civil war.

The Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) rebels said their guns would fall silent during the day as part of a unilateral ceasefire offered by the guerrillas.

The talks, expected to last two days, are the first since Alfredo Cristiani, of the right-wing Nationalist Republican Alliance (Arena) Party, became state president of the Central American nation on June 1.

Picture shows a Salvadorean soldier running from a burning bus Sept 12 in downtown El Salvador. The bus was burned by participants in a march to protest kidnapings. (Reuter wirephoto)

Border will stay open: Hungary

Refugees could top 15,000

BERLIN, Sept 13, (Agencies): Hungary said today it would break its Warsaw Pact commitment and keep open its borders to the West, while an East German newspaper said it was time to ask why skilled citizens were fleeing the communist country.

In Austria, the Interior Ministry said 12,158 East Germans had passed through that country en route to West Germany in the two days that refugees have been taking advantage of Hungary's newly opened border.

"The Hungarian government's policy of opening the country's borders will continue," Ferenc Somogyi, the No. 2 official in the Foreign Ministry, said in Budapest.

As long as a third country is willing to accept refugees from other East bloc countries, Hungary will allow them to leave, he said.

There are agreements with other Warsaw treaty countries similar to the one Hungary just suspended with East Germany, and these agreements are no longer in line with Hungary's newly assumed international responsibilities, such as our having signed the Geneva convention, Somogyi said.

"We are working to bring these various agreements into harmony with our new foreign policy," he added.

Somogyi said the border policy was consistent with Hungary's status as a signatory of the UN convention on refugees. Hungary is the only West bloc country to sign that convention.

But he said the current, orchestrated migration was a "unique step" that applied only to East German citizens.

"The East Germans were not treated as refugees and they did not request asylum as refugees," said Somogyi. East Germans are automatically considered citizens of West Germany.

Meanwhile, East Germany's Communist Party youth daily Junge Welt said East German citizens no longer could avoid discussing why a "minority" has fled the country of 16.6 million people.

"How do we make this country indisputably the focal point for dedication and happiness for every individual? How do we make it a homeland for even more people in which one accepts burdens and from which one is not lured away just by shop windows full of bananas or glossy travel guides?" Junge Welt asked.

The newspaper often contains important articles and commentaries reflecting official views.

Recent East German arrivals to the West have said they were dissatisfied with the economic situation and political oppression in their country. The arrivals, many of whom are young, skilled craftsmen, complain that East Germany has failed to adopt political and economic reforms.

East Germany's Communist Party daily Neues Deutschland, today continued to lash out at West Germany, which it said "lured the refugees West."

Refugees have travelled by car, train and bus through Austria to West Germany since mid-night Sunday, when Hungary opened its border completely.

West German border officials said the number of refugees could top 15,000.

West Germany and Hungary have worked together to coordinate free passage for the East Germans, adding to the strain in relations between those countries and East Germany. It is the first time an East bloc nation has assisted in an exodus to the West of citizens of a Warsaw Pact ally.

On Tuesday, Yegor Ligachev, a hard-line member of the Soviet Union's Politburo, arrived in East Berlin and accused West Germany of "slander, enticement and luring away" East Germans.

East German leader Erich Honecker's prolonged recovery from gall bladder surgery has complicated the situation. Communist Party officials acknowledge that decision-making in East Berlin is virtually paralysed.

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In April, 20 people were killed when interior ministry troops used shovels and poison gas to

break up a peaceful nationalist demonstration in the Georgian capital, Tbilisi.

Yeltsin, who met President George Bush in Washington on yesterday, said Gorbachev's new policy of openness was under attack in his country.

"Glasnost has been rolling back for the last two months," the radical parliamentarian said in a speech in Chicago late yesterday.

Yeltsin, who held a news conference after the speech, also predicted that German reunification would take at least a decade and said it was "significant" that Kremlin hardliner Yegor Ligachev was visiting East Berlin after more than 12,000 citizens fled to West Germany via Hungary.

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US bid to accept 50,000 Soviets

WASHINGTON, Sept 13, (AP): The US government told Congress today it wants to accept 50,000 Soviet refugees and an additional 6,500 from Eastern Europe in the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Overall, 125,000 refugees would be admitted, an increase of almost eight per cent over current quotas, said Jewel S. Lafontant, the US co-ordinator for refugee affairs.

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British intelligence plans to lift its blanket of secrecy

LONDON, Sept 13, (AP): British intelligence, burnished by spy fiction but tarnished by real-life traitors, is reportedly planning to lift its blanket of secrecy.

If newspaper reports are to be believed, the security service known as MI5 is about to go so far down the road of disclosure as to tell the public who its boss is.

It might not sound like much in an age when the head of the KGB appears on television and assures legislators he's no longer bugging their homes. But it would be a revolution for MI5, whose very

existence wasn't even officially enshrined in law this year. And according to the newspapers, that's not all — MI5 reportedly wants to advertise openly for intelligence officers, be listed in the phone book and have its director-general comment on

Experts warn of global warming

TOKYO, Sept. 13. (AP): Environmental experts warned today that all nations must sharply reduce their production of polluting gases to avoid the possibility of disastrous global climatic changes.

About 60 international scientists and environmental officials said people in developed nations will have to limit their consumption of fossil fuels, while poorer countries should be given more economic aid to allow them to pursue more environmentally sound development policies.

The experts, attending an international conference on the global environment, said rising temperatures are likely to affect virtually every aspect of human life, including food, farming, health and living conditions.

"During the coming decades, everyone, everywhere will begin to experience the effects of these major historical shifts in climate," they said in a statement at the end of the three-day meeting.

Participants said world temperatures have begun to climb because of a build-up of gases in the atmosphere that trap the earth's heat, called the "greenhouse effect." The gases, a byproduct of the burning of fossil fuels and agricultural and industrial processes, are produced by all nations.

"Of all the environmental challenges mankind has confronted in the course of history, none had as an worldwide as the challenge of greenhouse warming," they said.

The experts urged developed countries to improve energy conservation and find alternatives to "dirty" fuels such as coal and oil.

They also called on wealthy nations to provide large amounts of additional aid to developing countries where the environment has been damaged by poverty and high population growth.

Because of economic pressures, many poorer countries have been forced to depend on polluting fuels and farming processes, and have earned foreign exchange by cutting down rain forests that serve to regulate climate change.

Consequently, world temperatures are likely to increase by 1.3-4.5 degrees C (3-8 F) over the next century if current emissions of greenhouse gases continue.

That could scorch some areas, making them unfit for agriculture, and melt polar ice, causing ocean levels to rise by 0.5-2.0 metres (1.5-6.5 feet) enough to flood many coastal areas, they say.

"We believe it is possible to prevent mankind from falling into a very serious situation in the future if countries co-operate in responding together," said Saburo Okita, a former Japanese foreign minister and chairman of the conference.

"A sustainable future beyond the 20th century will require a new commitment to environmental ethics by all nations — enabling people in developing countries to meet their basic needs, and modifying socio-economic activities including lifestyles in developed countries," the experts said.

Participants in the Japanese government-sponsored conference also called for research on new technology to slow global warming, and a treaty to encourage international cooperation towards that goal.

■ Two American leaders in agriculture and foreign affairs proposed legislation yesterday to fight global warming caused by the greenhouse effect by planting more trees and aiding developing nations.

The \$470 million programme would encourage tree planting on farmland, establish and assist urban tree-planting programmes, and help developing countries preserve their forests and find alternative energy sources.

■ The world-wide fund for nature launched a major initiative this week to save tropical forests, urging the European Economic Community to rethink its timber strategy.

The WWF's report was aimed at the EEC because the 12-nation trade bloc is the largest consumer of tropical hardwood, importing more than one-third of the world's annual production.



Let's get blessed

Prince Aya, second son of Japan's Emperor Akihito, leaves his home, Akasaka Palace, with his fiancée Kiko Kawashima, to the Imperial Palace to

receive an approval for their wedding. (Reuter wirephoto)

10 monks sentenced in Tibet

Charges of rioting and spying

BEIJING, Sept. 13. (AP): Tibetan courts have sentenced 10 Buddhist monks and others to terms of up to 15 years for rioting, spying and plotting to overthrow the Dalai Lama during a massive Chinese uprising in March, the official Xinhua news agency said today.

The intermediate court in the Tibetan capital of Lhasa sentenced Passang to life imprisonment for "beating, smashing, looting and burning" during the three-day disturbance in which 16 people were killed by official count. Tibetans said between 20 and 30 died.

Xinhua said Cering Ngoizhu, 57, was given a 12-year prison term for inciting young people to sing Tibetan independence songs and participate in the disturbances.

Sarah heads for China

TAIPEI, Taiwan, Sept. 13. (AP): Typhoon Sarah, downgraded to a tropical storm, headed for eastern China today after killing at least 19 people dead and 11 others missing in Taiwan.

Rescuers, battling high waves, boarded the wrecked Panamanian freighter Lung Hao today and, in a cabin, found the body of a crew member identified as 32-year-old Alt Demirci of Turkey. Two other Turkish and two Indonesian crewmen were listed as missing.

The freighter broke in half on Monday after strong winds drove it away from Hualien harbour, 180 kilometers (120 miles) southeast of Taipei. Twenty-one other sailors swam to shore.

A man died of a heart attack today after he was rescued from his flooded house; a motorcyclist was killed in a fall into a ditch, and a boy drowned playing in a flooded river, police said.

Most other victims were swept out to sea or drowned in rain-swollen rivers when the storm blasted across the island on Monday and Tuesday, police said.

Thirty killed as wall collapses

BEIJING, Sept. 13. (AP): Thirty students were killed and another 25 injured when a wall collapsed while the students were watching a show outside their school in China's coastal Fujian province.

The official Xinhua news agency said today the disaster occurred on Sunday evening at the No. 1 Middle School in Liancheng county, where about 4,000 people had gathered for activities marking the school's 75th anniversary.

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Speed up loans, Japan urged

Promises but delays

TOKYO, Sept. 13. (AP): A government agency called yesterday for improving the way Japan dispenses billions of dollars of foreign aid to the Third World.

The Management and Co-ordination Agency urged the improvements in a report examining official development aid loans made available between April and December last year.

Among other things, it called for speedier screening of aid requests from developing countries.

"On some occasions, yen loans were provided some three years after aid requests were made," the report said.

The report was sent to the foreign ministry, the finance ministry, the international trade and industry ministry and the economic planning agency. The four ministries are responsible for co-ordination and implementation of Japan's aid programs.

Japan has become the world's largest donor of foreign aid, overtaking the United States, by promising more than \$50 billion in aid in the five-year period ending in 1992.

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What killed dinosaurs: scientists search for evidence

GUBBIO, Italy, Sept. 13. (Agencies): Scientists began to chisel away on the Umbrian Hills yesterday in search of fossil evidence they hope could resolve a debate over what caused the mass extinction of dinosaurs 65 million years ago.

One theory contends the dinosaurs were wiped out by a meteorite that struck the earth, drastically changing its weather patterns. The other theory holds that volcanic eruptions triggered by the mass extinctions caused the climate changes that killed the giant beasts.

Dr Walter Alvarez of the University of California at Berkeley and Dr Gary Johnson of

Dartmouth College head two teams of American and Italian scientists gathering evidence to support their theories.

Both groups hope to confirm research and data collected in the area previously during independent digs. This time Dr Robert N. Gribble from the University of Miami is supervising the research that will send the samples gathered by the two teams to 12 different labs in the United States, Soviet Union, Canada, Switzerland and France for analysis.

The results of the joint effort are expected to be presented next spring.

Alvarez and his late father, the Nobel prize winning physicist Dr Luis W. Alvarez discovered a half-inch thick layer of clay in the Umbrian Apennines near Gubbio. The clay was found to have a high concentration of iridium, an extremely rare metal mostly found in meteorites.

The scientists said the clay dated to near the time of the mass extinctions 65 million years ago.

Based on these and other findings, Alvarez proposed the theory that a meteorite, half-a-mile (800 metres) in diameter, struck the earth.

Uranium gang leader arrested

TOKYO, Sept. 13. (AP): Police today arrested the alleged instigator of a still-unexplained effort to sell uranium to the US embassy in Tokyo, officials said.

This brought to nine the number of arrests in the case. Japanese law allows only authorized people to handle uranium.

Investigators still have not learned where the group obtained the uranium or why it tried to sell it to the embassy for more than 2,000 times its market price of 1,400 yen (\$9.60) for 0.035 grams (\$275 an ounce), said an official of the Tokyo metropolitan police department.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, identified the last of those arrested as Kouki Tomoda, 51, an antique art dealer and former underworld gang member from Yamatotakada in Nara prefecture, southwestern Japan.

Tomoda, arrested at a Tokyo hotel, had been on a wanted list since Sunday, when police seized about 4 kilograms (8.8 pounds) of uranium from an acquaintance of his in Kurume, Fukuoka prefecture, 899 kilometres (562 miles) southwest of Tokyo.

The acquaintance, identified as Masateru Yuzuki, 41, also has been arrested, the official said.

He said Tomoda was suspected of having sold a capsule containing 101.75 grams (3.6 ounces) of refined natural uranium to Masao Kikuchi, 54, for \$8 million yen (\$55,100) in late June. Kikuchi also is among those arrested.

Wanted dissident flees to France

HONG KONG, Sept. 13. (Reuters): One of China's seven most-wanted dissident intellectuals, Su Xiaokang, left Hong Kong for Paris today after three months on the run from Chinese police.

"I hid out in villages, in forests and in the mountains," Su said in an interview at a secret Hong Kong address before his departure. "For three months I lived in fear of arrest by the security forces."

Su, who escaped to the British colony ten days ago, was the author of a controversial Chinese television series "River Elegy," which questioned the system of government and attacked China's ancient culture and traditions.

One of seven prominent dissident intellectuals for whom arrest warrants were issued after troops brutally crushed the pro-democracy movement in Beijing in early June, Su said many of his friends — including a co-writer of the mini-series — had been arrested.

"Police contacted almost every person I have ever met, they searched every house or unit where I had contacts. They bombed the whole country for me," said Su, who is in his 40s. He was earlier reported to have been arrested.

The writer and Beijing Broadcasting College professor said he had not seen his wife or young son since he fled his Beijing home on May 20, the day martial law was declared in the capital.

He said he slowly made his way south toward Guangdong province, which borders Hong Kong, in hopes of escaping the country after learning of the military crackdown and of the arrest warrant out for him.

"I have the ordinary people to think for my escape," said Su, describing how people all over the country hid him from China's pervasive security apparatus. "I can't say any more since the police will take revenge on anyone who helped me."

Su obtained travel papers from the French embassy yesterday, like other Chinese dissidents before him. Hong Kong authorities have declined to help Chinese political refugees, regarding those who have escaped by the "underground railroad" from the mainland as ordinary illegal immigrants.

Prominent Chinese author Lao Gui, famed for writing a candid bestseller on the chaotic 1966-76 cultural revolution, escaped via the same route last month and left for Paris last week. Several lesser known fugitives are still in hiding in Hong Kong awaiting travel documents.

Si is the fourth of the seven wanted intellectuals to escape along the secret underground route. Yan Jiachi — once adviser to ousted Communist Party leader Zhao Ziyang — computer entrepreneur Wan Runman and Chen Yizi, head of the party's economic restructuring research institute, are all in the West.

The three others are still on the run in China.

Si said he learned by listening to the US government-funded Voice of America radio station — with the volume very low — that several of his friends had escaped. "That news gave me hope."

Chinese authorities have closed several of the escape routes to Hong Kong and organizers admitted the getaways were becoming increasingly difficult and dangerous.

Chinese student leader Wuertaxi, speaking at a candlelight ceremony marking the 100th day since the Tiananmen Square killings, yesterday pledged to continue the struggle to bring democracy to China.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Sexologist warns

Beware of 'lovers'

ROME, Sept. 13. (Reuters): A sexologist who last year gave lessons in the art of seduction to Italy's Latin lovers is now telling female tourists how to fend them off.

Naples-born Giuseppe Cirillo said today he had sent pamphlets to tourist agencies in popular Italian sunspots like Rimini and Sorrento to be passed on to foreign females.

"With women from our own country, the Italian male is romantic. With tourists he is down-to-earth, much less inhibited and tends see relationships as purely sexual," Cirillo told journalists.

Cirillo, who taught a 14-lesson course in Rome and Milan in 1988, said he will soon fly to New York, San Francisco and Miami to publicise his new courses in seduction for the American male.

Faculty shortages: American colleges and universities face major shortages of faculty members working in the exact sciences, according to a study released today.

According to the study, the biggest shortages will occur not in the sciences but in the humanities and social sciences, and that the shortage will be caused mainly by growth in student enrollment and not by large-scale retirements of professors.

The study was conducted by Brown, former president of Princeton University, who is now president of the Andrew Mellon Foundation, and Julie Ann Sosa, a Princeton graduate now studying at Oxford University. (Kuna)

Crime on the rise: Violence and sexual offences in the UK increased during the year to the end of June despite an overall fall in crime, according to figures published today.

A total of 3.7 million offences were recorded in England and Wales in the 12-month period, a decrease of 4 percent of the previous 12-months.

There were wide variations in the figures for different offences.

Offences of violence against the person increased by 17,000 (up 11 percent) and sexual offences rose by 1,300 (up 5 percent). (Kuna)

Trawler dragged backwards: A British submarine dragged an Irish trawler backwards for a mile in the Irish Sea after the fishermen caught its communications buoy in their nets, trawlers said today.

The trawler contest was not damaged and its three crewmen were unharmed but the incident last night provoked an angry response from a spokesman for the Irish Fishermen's Organisation.

In London, a British Ministry of defence spokesman said: "It has been confirmed that the large object caught by the trawler was from a British submarine." (Reuter)

AIDS treatment: Tracking AIDS patients' white blood cell counts may help researchers cut down on the time needed to evaluate experimental AIDS drugs, a group of scientists and US officials said yesterday.

The count in the blood of a particular type of disease-fighting white blood cell — known as CD4 or T4 cells — appears to correlate well with an AIDS patient's chance for survival, the scientists and officials agreed.

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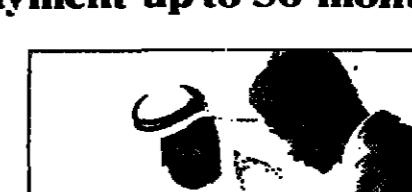
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Telephones being monitored for nuisance calls

Indecent callers face imprisonment

THE assistant undersecretary for subscriber services at the Ministry of Communications Khaled Al Houti has said that the number of telephone lines marked for involvement in nuisance calls during the period of one month was 348, and that the lines were therefore disconnected following continued complaints by a number of subscribers and requests to have their lines monitored for harassment calls.

He told a local daily that the Telephone Surveillance Department was all-prepared

to act on complaints received from subscribers of such indecent practices, which were against social ethics and considered a crime punishable by law.

He added that subscribers involved in making such calls would have to face legal responsibility and deterrent measures, which could include imprisonment. Ministry telephone personnel would at request monitor the subscriber's line to identify the line source of calls made which would not last more than two weeks.

Houti said that ministry staff could also identify eavesdroppers who would stoop to the level of listening to others' private telephone conversations. He added that some ministry staff were expelled for involvement in such nuisance calls.

He pointed out that special personnel were on the lookout for nuisance calls made by unethical subscribers, stressing the ministry's concern for employing honest staff to operate its telephone subscriber services who had the integrity and ethics to

keep and protect the secrets of their profession and of subscribers.

Regarding complaints made by certain subscribers of being charged for calls they claimed they never made, the ministry had been able to identify the people responsible for these calls who mostly were staff of contractors doing business for the ministry and who use their technical know-how to connect a number of subscriber lines together and make calls that were technically untraceable, he said.

Computer studies at 40 schools under way

THE computer project manager at the Ministry of Education Dr Hmoud Al Sadoun has said that the introduction of computers as a study subject into the curricular programme is currently under way in 40 secondary schools with a total of 30,000 students.

He told a local daily in the course of an interview that the current year would be an experimental period for this project and that the results would be evaluated by an ad-hoc committee comprising members of various agencies from inside and outside Kuwait.

Computers subject would be assigned two grades; a minimum failing grade and a passing grade, to reflect the importance attached to computers. Sadoun said. He further pointed out that a high percentage of students showed increasing interest in computers as evidenced by the courses and contests organised by 20 summer clubs involving this vital subject which attracted many 5,000 students.

Progress

Headed that the results of the courses and contests were excellent and quite encouraging for similar steps in the future and provide specialist instructors to supervise the progress and training of students.

He said that initial results were very encouraging and there was a plan to increase computer classes and organise more specialised courses to qualify instructors.

Meanwhile, a special enlightening meeting for principals and headmistresses in charge of preparation and review of statistical data was yesterday held at the Training Centre in Jibrayia, under the chairmanship of the director of the Planning Department at the Ministry Dr Jasem Mohammad Al Hamdan who delivered a speech in which he highlighted the vital role of educational statistics.

Data

He pointed out that statistical work involved collection of data on all aspects of the educational process for the purpose of review and chapterisation pending study and extraction of standards and indexes.

He said that statistical work was essential to the development of the education sector, being a measurement scale of the past and a reliable forecasting means for the future, that would assist policy-making and decision-taking by all educationalists and researchers in the field.

No increase

THE assistant undersecretary of the Ministry of Education for private education Dr Yacoub Al Sharrah has denied that the ministry will increase tuition fees of pupils of private schools. Fees stipulated by the ministry last year remain unchanged which includes school tuitions, transportation charges and uniforms. The ministry's decision detailing tuition fees is available in every private school. The parents of pupils have the right to see the decision at anytime they want, Sharrah said.



Amir awards for children

SOCIAL Affairs and Labour Minister Sheikh Nasser Mohamed Al Jaber Al Sabah yesterday distributed awards extended by His Highness the Amir to outstanding members of youth centres and children's playgrounds.

Before distributing the awards, the minister inaugurated an exhibition held on the occasion in which the participants displayed their various activities.

Addressing the ceremony, Mansour Khalifa Al Shrida of the youth centres, hailed the Amiri gesture, saying it encourages the youth to invest their leisure time in constructive activities.

Picture shows young girls performing a dance at the awards ceremony.

Australian sheep trade suffers setback in UAE

GCC officials to discuss issue

ABU DHABI, Sept 13. (Agencies): Commercial sources said here today that Australian sheep trade in the UAE has suffered a sharp setback as sales rate dropped by 50 per cent while prices of other types of meat surged by 30 per cent.

Sources at the municipalities and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fish Resources in the UAE have confirmed the validity of Australian sheep arriving in the country lately. Abu Dhabi Municipality said that 3,400 Australian sheep heads were currently quarantined for exhibiting symptoms of Maltese fever (brucellosis).

The sources also said that the relevant authorities are preparing to re-export the diseased animals to the country of origin, and that more than 10,000 sick sheep heads have already been sent back to the exporting country.

The health authorities of Abu Dhabi Municipality ordered an Australian live sheep importing company to send back the shipment of 3,400 sheep after proving they were diseased. The order gave the company only 24 hours to get the diseased sheep out of the country. An official at Abu Dhabi municipality said that the health inspection centre at the municipality returned back during the past few days a number of small shipments of Australian meat which arrived by land from Ras Al Khaima because they were found unfit for human consumption.

Two weeks ago, Abu Dhabi health authorities also ordered over 17,000 live Australian sheep to be sent back to the country of origin because a number of diseases were found in them. However, another municipality source announced that Abu Dhabi has at the same time allowed several other shipments of live Australian sheep because they were found to be disease free.

In Qatar, health authorities were on alert during the past few days to examine a consignment of live Australian sheep containing over 35,000 heads. Qatar was among the Gulf countries that returned some shipments of Australian sheep because they were diseased. Informed sources in the Gulf said Australia exports over six million live sheep to the GCC states every year.

Saudi Arabia tops the list of importers with over 3.1 million sheep, followed by Kuwait with 1.5 million and UAE, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman which import the rest.

The United Arab Emirates had demanded last week that Saudi Arabia circulate the laboratory tests carried out on Australian sheep, to other GCC states. An official at Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce and Industry, demanded the establishment of an information centre between the GCC health laboratories in order to exchange information on

various issues including Australian sheep. Saudi agriculture minister said in a statement at the beginning of this month that clinical, veterinary and laboratory tests have confirmed that some of the live Australian sheep which arrived in Saudi Arabia were infected with sheep pox. He added that it was found that 25-30 per cent of the Australian sheep exports were diseased. On the other hand, reports published in Doha yesterday said that Australian sheep exporters were looking for new markets for their sheep after losing the huge Saudi market. Saudi Arabia imports over half of live Australian sheep exported to the GCC states.

In another development, the General Secretariat of the GCC states has decided to hold a meeting between the concerned GCC officials to discuss coordination on the issue of the Australian sheep. The GCC General Secretariat invited the six member states representatives to hold a meeting in Riyadh.

The trade dispute began in July when Saudi Arabia began rejecting shiploads of live Australian sheep on grounds they were afflicted with viruses called bluetongue disease and sheep pox. Australian authorities insist that neither disease exists in Australia.

In all, the Saudis have turned away nearly 400,000 head of sheep, and Australia has responded by suspending all live sheep exports to the kingdom, its largest single customer with purchases of some 3.5 million sheep worth \$61.6 million a year.

Australian officials say they remain mystified by the Saudi decisions to reject the live sheep in the first place.

Australian Meat and Livestock Company's chief executive for the Middle East, Stephen Martyn, called the suspension of sales to Saudi Arabia a "short term measure, until such time as commercial confidence in live sheep trade can be regained."

He said he was "very confident the discussions in Riyadh will result in an agreement, allowing the trade between the two countries to continue."

John Wotton, the Bahrain-based deputy chief executive said Australia "has a commitment to the Middle East market, and as far as meat and livestock are concerned, we will uphold our commitment and wish to continue doing business with the region."

"We don't like to see this sort of situation happening," he said, "but we will do everything possible to show our product is healthy and that the consumer need have no fears."

According to the officials, there are currently no ships in the water or loading for Saudi destinations. The last shipment of 19,000 head, which was "already under sail" when the suspension went into effect was accepted a week ago in Jeddah.

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Committees to appoint new KU deans: Shuaib Council to discuss admission policy



KUWAIT University Rector, Dr Shuaib Abdulla

announced today that a number of selection committees will be set up shortly by the University to appoint deans for various colleges. He said that the committees will be formed during the University Council meeting due later this month. He further added that the committees will propose names of prospective deans and that the appointments will be announced after his approval.

Dr Shuaib expected that the names of the new deans won't be announced before the middle of the current semester. He categorically denied news published in a section of the local press on the names of some prospective deans.

Shuaib was appointed rector of Kuwait University several months ago, succeeding the former rector, Dr Abdul Mohsen Al Abdul Razzaq who resigned. After his appointment, about 10 deans of various colleges at Kuwait University tendered their resignations. Some of them were later convinced to withdraw these resignations. The posts of several deans are still vacant awaiting new appointments. Acting deans manage the day-to-day affairs of each college. No reasons were announced for the resignations of the deans.

Besides three members of the University Council also submitted their resignations. These resignations were later accepted by the university authorities. Dr Shuaib was speaking to newsmen after touring the new building of the College of Education before the start of the new academic year.

Among those quoted by the magazine are: Yugoslav President Yanez Drnovsek, Democratic Yemen President Haider Abu Bakr Al Attas, President Carlos Andres Perez of Venezuela, Omani Deputy Premier Qais Al Zawawi; Jordanian Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qassem and others.

In comments to a Kuwaiti magazine Nam leaders said the Amir's speech had summarised the world's problems and suggested ways to resolve them.

"His Highness the Amir, who spoke in the name of Gulf Cooperation Council and the Islamic nation, had tackled the international economic problems with objectivity and therefore earned the confidence and admiration of the entire world since he made his initiative before the UN General Assembly a year ago," the magazine quoted Nam leaders as saying.

Meanwhile, Dr Shuaib yesterday toured the buildings of the College of Education and the College of Sharia and Islamic Studies. He was accompanied by the deans of the two colleges and other university officials. He also inspected the registration hall, where students will start registering from next Tuesday, Sept 19.

Dr Shuaib said that his visit was to ensure that the various colleges were ready to receive students.



Nasser receives KJA board

The Social Affairs and Labour Minister Sheikh Nasser Mohammed Al Ahmad received at the ministry yesterday president and board members of the Kuwait Journalists' Association. President of the Association Ahmed Behbehani thanked the minister for the support extended by the ministry to the association and showed him the progress of the construction of the new KJA premises near the local newspapers in Shwaikh. Sheikh Nasser stressed on the great attention paid by HH the Amir and HH the Crown Prince and Premier to journalists and the local press.

BAHRAN DIGEST

Green and beautiful campaign in Bahrain

BAHRAN was once famous during the times when it was the centre of the Dilmun Civilization for its "million palm trees". The island's legendary beauty and luxuriant greenery made it renowned throughout the region. According to mythology it was called "the Garden of Eden". The palm tree has a lot to do with the natural heritage of this land's glorious past. For indeed throughout the ages it has symbolised Bahrain's abundant natural attractions. There was a time when much of this island nation was covered with the ubiquitous palm tree. Apart from the numerous practical uses this tree had become a common and natural phenomenon for the small number of islanders in different eras.

However, over the last few decades the palm tree has been increasingly subjected to initial neglect and subsequent decline in the name of modernisation and economic development. Since the early thirties when oil was first discovered in Bahrain, the fate of the once invaluable and indispensable arboreal wonder has become increasingly uncertain. Rapid industrialisation and the need to acquire and develop land on a large scale for commercial activities as well as residential areas have resulted in systematic felling of palm trees throughout different areas of the country.

Overtaking, the number of palm trees, dwindled at an alarming rate in certain areas, giving way to both urban and rural development schemes in all aspects. The destruction of the palm tree has not only been confined to the major towns but also to most of the surrounding villages.

It may be explained that in view of Bahrain's limited size and the need for physical expansion to generate industrialisation and therefore economic development the palm tree had to go in many hitherto beautiful spots. However, according to environmentalists here there has to be genuine effort from all concerned in preserving palm trees in certain areas so as to maintain a logical ecological balance.

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) office in Bahrain has emphasised the need for the government here to implement their various economic and industrial schemes in the country while keeping a close view of the necessity of not affecting the environment as a whole, including the palm tree.

In recent times the government of Bahrain has launched campaigns to preserve the environment so as to prevent the destruction of the country's rich output of flora and fauna at the expense of modernisation. Efforts to "Keep Bahrain Green and Beautiful" have been made on a national scale.

It appears that the much loved palm tree will survive after all. The government has curbed the felling of palm trees in certain areas, particularly the northern strips where many stand. In fact the palm tree has even made a comeback in some places thanks to tourism.

Baudouin foundation award for development

A PRESS release from the Belgian embassy in Kuwait has stated that the King Baudouin Foundation will award the King Baudouin International Development Prize for the sixth time in autumn of 1990.

The purpose of the prize is to reward persons who or organisations which, without regard to national origin, have made a substantial contribution toward the development of the Third World or toward the co-operation and good relations among industrialised and developing countries and among their peoples.

Particular importance shall be attached to activities having a multiplier effect and to activities that enable the peoples of the Third World to work for their own development.

Four million Belgian francs (approximately \$100,000) is the amount of the award. Nominations should be sent to the Secretariat of the King Baudouin Foundation before September 30, 1989. The prize will be awarded by the Board of Directors of the Foundation on the advice of a selection committee. A large number of Belgian and foreign persons and organisations will be invited to nominate candidates: scientific academies, international or regional organisations working in the development field and university teachers whose teaching or research is development related.

The regulations of the prize, which contain all relevant details, can be obtained from: The Secretariat King Baudouin Foundation Rue Brederode 21 B-1000 Brussels (Belgium)

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Five envoys present credentials to HH the Amir

The ambassadors of Sri Lanka, Finland, West Germany, Malaysia and Sudan yesterday presented HH the Amir their credentials during a special ceremony held at Bayan Palace at 10:30 am.

Present at the ceremony were Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah, Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs, Amiri Diwan Secretary and Commander of the Amiri Guards.

10,500 new residence permits issued in August

7,600 visas cancelled

THE immigration departments in the four governorates issued over 10,500 new residences during the month of August this year, a release issued by the Interior Ministry said today. The departments also cancelled over 7,600 residences for expatriates during the same month. Over 20,200 residences were renewed and 460 tem-

porary residences were issued during the past month, the release added. During the same period, the four departments transferred residences of over 4,300 expatriates from their sponsors to new ones. They also opened new files for 913 new sponsors.

During the same month, Immigration Departments issued 9,308 work permits,

the majority (7,397) of them went to housemaids and domestics. They were followed by work permits issued for labourers in the private sector with 1,269 work permits. The departments also issued 542 dependent visas.

9,836 visit visas were also issued by the immigration departments during the same

month. 4,849 of the visit visas were issued to relatives of families and 4,836 visit visas were issued for business visits. 126 of the visit visas were issued for government visits and 26 for medical purposes. The departments also issued 491 permissions for expatriates to overstay the six month period outside Kuwait.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Premier receives

KUWAIT, Sept. 13. (Kuna): HH the Crown Prince and Premier Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Sabah received at his diwan at the Bayan Palace today Defence Minister Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmed, Information Minister Sheikh Jaber Mubarak Al Hamad, Finance Minister Jassem Mohammed Al Khurafi, Al Ahmadi Governor Sheikh Ali Sabah Al Salem and Managing Director of the South and Arab Gulf Anthony Ahmad Zain Al Saqqaf.

French envoy

KUWAIT, Sept. 13. (Kuna): French Ambassador to Kuwait Jean Bellivier today welcomed the visit of HH the Amir Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah to France due September 25.

The French ambassador, in an interview with a Kuwaiti daily, described Franco-Kuwaiti relations strong and excellent.

Bellivier further said that the visit will enable Sheikh Jaber and French President Francois Mitterrand to resume their constructive political talks on bilateral relations and issues of mutual interest.

He added that their discussions will be also topped by developing countries' foreign debts and environment problems.

Lebanon relief

KUWAIT, Sept. 13. (Kuna): The Kuwait Zakat (Alms) House announced today the donation of KD20,000 (1 dinar equals \$3.3) for relief operations in Lebanon.

An official source at the house told Kuna that the donation followed an appeal by the joint Kuwaiti committee for relief which called on citizens and institutions to extend assistance for their brothers in Lebanon.

Zakat House has asked all institutions and individuals to share in the donations campaign in a bid to alleviate the sufferings of the Lebanese people caused by continued fighting.

Police conference

KUWAIT, Sept. 13. (Kuna): Assistant Interior Ministry Undersecretary for Police Affairs Brigadier Mohamed Al Qabandi will lead Kuwait's delegation to the 14th meeting of Arab police and security chiefs, due to take place in Cairo Sept. 16-18.

Brigadier Qabandi told Kuna that the meeting will pay due concern to the question of combating terrorism and subversive organisations, the preoccupation of security men all over the world.

He said the State of Kuwait had requested the inclusion of the issue of sports riots in the agenda of the meeting due to recurrence of such incidents in which hundreds of people were killed in different parts of the world.

Brigadier Qabandi said the meeting will discuss the date and venue for the upcoming session, indicating that if no Arab country offers to host it then it will be held in the headquarters in Tunis.



Salem meets with mukhtars

Interior Minister Sheikh Salim Al Sabah presided yesterday over a meeting of the mukhtars committee. The meeting discussed the requirements of the various areas among other issues.

Communication undersecretaries meet

Marine cable project discussed

THE Higher Planning Committee at the Ministry of Communications decided to hold a meeting on the level of undersecretaries between Kuwait and Bahrain to conduct a feasibility study on the Marine Cable Project between Kuwait and Bahrain.

The committee headed by Communications Minister Abdullah Al Sharhan discussed the issue of modern services during a meeting held yesterday morning with the attendance of Communications Undersecretary Abdul Aziz Al Ayoub and assistant undersecretaries.

The higher committee also took a decision on coastal and ground stations to cut down manpower through applying electronics instruments. The committee emphasised the issue of telephone magnetic cards and the locations designated for them at co-operative societies and commercial complexes.

Meanwhile Sharhan has warned against the use of common TV receptive dish antennas as

transmitters, pointing out that these antennas could only operate via the satellite Arabsat Intelsat which are programmed to receive pre-determined specific transmission material.

He told a local daily that transmission to the Israeli satellite was technically impossible, as this satellite was circulating a very low orbit and very high speed, in synchrony with the earth's movement, and that the Intelsat satellite only received transmission directed to ships.

He added that the aerial systems currently in use are unauthorised. However, the ministry is considering granting authorisation in certain cases, with the approval of the Information Ministry provided the system is tuned to approved frequencies and wavelengths.

From the courts

Lady lawyer accused of misrepresentation

A KUWAITI court sentenced a lady lawyer to three months imprisonment with labour for misrepresenting the trust and confidentiality of documents entrusted by a client.

The court was told that the complainant has entered into an agreement with the accused to represent the former in a divorce case against her husband for which the complainant had paid an amount of KD200 as advance payment of the accused's lawyer's fees. Further, the complainant had also entrusted to the accused certain confidential documents.

However, the plaintiff told the court that the accused failed to appear in the court on the appointed date of the case resulting in the case being cancelled.

On going to the accused's office, the plaintiff was surprised to learn that the lawyer's employees were shifting to another location. The victim said that the confidential documents entrusted to the accused were also missing. The victim had registered the accused as her lawful attorney at the real estate registration office.

Car owner liable

THE Higher Court of Appeal adjudged that a vehicle owner is liable to pay financial compensation for injuries caused to another person, irrespective of whether the vehicle was at the time of the accident being driven by a person other than the owner. The court further decreed that this decision held good irrespective of whether the driver held a valid driving licence or not. It added that a vehicle owner cannot avoid

paying compensation or reimburse the insurance company that paid the compensation on the grounds that such payment was made without his/her permission. This ruling applied to cases where the car was driven by any individual with the consent of the owner.

This decision had arisen as an insurance company had previously filed a case at the First Degree Commercial Court demanding that the vehicle's lady owner and her brother should pay KD12,500 as compensation to the dependent of the woman victim killed in an accident involving the lady's car.

The traffic court sentenced the brother for overspeeding and causing the death of the victim.

Juvenile vandals arrests

TWO stateless juveniles have been apprehended for vandalising and destroying various items at Abdulla ben Anno Intermediate School at Al Sulaiyah Area, a local daily quoted Sulaiman Al Kouh, director of Al Jahra Educational Area.

The official in his complaint said that the accused had stolen the question papers of the second term examination and had also destroyed a lot of books and laboratory equipment.

The security personnel at Al Jahra Governorate who arrested the culprits said that one of them had committed several crimes previously, including stealing of KD7,000 from one of the houses in the area. One of the defendants was studying at the school, while his accomplice was studying at another.

More minors commit crimes

MORE minors, particularly males, are involved in various criminal acts, according to Col Fahd Al Mekhled of the Ministry of Interior. He said that September has been declared as a campaign month against this dangerous phenomenon. The department has been issuing statistics about cases of juvenile delinquency in recent months. The statistics said that during the first half of this year, the minors committed over 1,233 criminal acts, some of them misdemeanour cases. During the months of May and June, the minors committed over 420 crimes and misdemeanours.

The statistics added that out of the 1,233 crimes and misdemeanours 298 of them were crimes and 935 were misdemeanour cases. As many as 1,550 minors were involved in both acts only during the first half of this year. 840 of the minors were Kuwaitis. These figures show a sharp increase in the number of minors involved in criminal activities over 1988. For this reason the Interior Ministry decided to launch the campaign.

Vacations

The statistics also added that of the 1,233 crimes and misdemeanours 298 of them were crimes in which 374 minors were involved. 193 of them were Kuwaitis and the rest belong to other nationalities. The remaining 935 misdemeanours were carried out by over 1,176 minors. 674 of them were Kuwaitis. During the months of May and June 121 crimes were committed by 193 minors including 109 Kuwaitis. During the same two months, the minors committed about 300 misdemeanours. 407 minors including 198 Kuwaitis were involved in the misdemeanour cases.

The criminal activities committed by the minors ranged from robberies, drug, liquor to traffic offences and possessing unlicensed arms. The Public Relations Department said that during the month of May alone, minors committed 230 criminal activities which included 52 robberies, 71 traffic offences particularly driving without license and others. The department warned parents of leaving their cars accessible to their children. It added that the school summer vacation which started in early May seems to have helped minors commit more offences. It said that the wrong utilisation of summer vacations is one of the main factors that contribute to increase in the crime rate. It stressed that there is a great need for more family attention towards their children.

New school year according to plan

Seat for every student: Khodari

THE Undersecretary at Kuwait's Ministry of Education Abdurrahman Al Khodari was quoted as confirming that the ministry has undertaken all long-term preparations to meet requirements of the new academic year 1989/1990.

In an interview with a local daily, Khodari said that all the relevant preparations were in line with prescribed plans and in accordance with recommendations of a specialised committee.

Replying to a question, the undersecretary denied that the increase in the number of students this year will increase pressure on the ministry's schools. The official commented that every student will have a seat either in the government or private schools.

Speaking of classroom density, the official said that issue is relative. However, in intensity, it differed from one school to another.

Some classes number 33-35 students each while others contain only 15-20 students and this basically depends on the population density of each area. He clarified that the population density at Farwaniya Educational Area for example is more than the Capital.

The ministry will address this issue to avoid the disparity in the number of students at each class from one school to another by increasing the seats at some area such as Firdous and Jahra.

In a pre-designed move, the ministry has built additional classes at some schools in Jahra, Ahmad and Farwaniya.

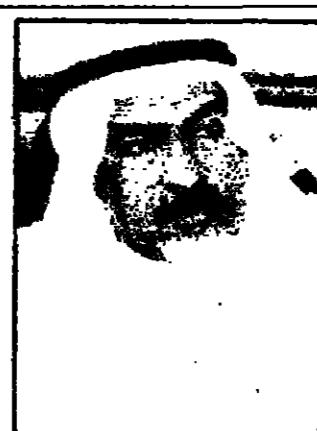
Tuition

Relying to a question over ministry efforts to ban private tuitions, the undersecretary said that determining regulations governing the education process is the responsibility of the ministry's schools. He confirmed that all the ministry's schools will be urged to organise tutorials inside the schools against nominal charges. However, tutorials will be optional for students.

Air-conditioning

Meanwhile, the undersecretary was quoted as confirming that all the kindergartens and primary schools had been air-conditioned this year in accordance with the directives of HH the Amir.

The undersecretary said that the ministry had received 23 schools all of which had been completely furnished. Speaking of his evaluation of the credit hours system which is currently applied in some schools of the country, Khodari described the experiment as an encouraging one, hinting that the ministry hopes to expand the terms of the experiment year by year. He



Khodari... preparations

this experiment, students of these stages will be required to do their homework in the class and under the supervision of their teachers.

Khodari clarified that by the beginning of each academic year,

parents used to complain about the excessive requirements imposed by teachers on students which constitute a financial burden on the parents. To solve this problem, the ministry formed a committee empowered to discuss scholastic requirements for the kindergarten and primary stages. Another committee will be formed next year for the intermediate and secondary stages.

He described the plan as a step in the right direction and said that schools requirements for the next academic year along with the relevant certificate. This is intended to facilitate the purchase of students' requirements by parents.

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expressed his hope that the experiment would be a good example to students by refraining from smoking.

Speaking of the ministry's new projects, Khodari said, according to the ministry's five-year plan, several projects are to be implemented such as the evaluation of the educational process in the kindergartens and primary stages, the development of the educational techniques in the primary, intermediate and secondary stages, the training of the ministry's staff and establishing of necessary centres for the practicing students' activities.

533 rescue operations last year

STATISTICS issued by the General Fire Administration (GFA) indicate that firemen carried out 533 rescue operations during last year. It added that 571 persons were rescued and 459 were killed or injured in these accidents. It also added that firemen extinguished 1,834 fires in 1988. The fires included 977 accidents in housing areas, 178 accidents in commercial installations, 126 in government installations, 468 in vehicles and buses and 85 accidents in other places.

It also pointed out that rescue operations reported during the first half of this year totalled 325 in which 318 persons were killed or injured and 367 persons were rescued. The fire centres reported 915 fires during the same period.

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Peacemakers debate return

800,000 flee Beirut

THREE Arab peacemakers met in Saudi Arabia yesterday to debate whether to attempt to still the guns in Lebanon after earlier admitting defeat in their quest.

The foreign ministers of Algeria, Morocco and Saudi Arabia discussed the crisis buoyed by what Arab diplomats said were encouraging signs from rival factions which have been trying to shell each other into submission since March.

Optimism that the peace bid would be revived rose after Saudi Arabia's King Fahd, in remarks published on Tuesday, spoke of a determination to restore normal life to Lebanon.

The heads of state of the three countries forming the Arab League's Lebanon's Committee were given six months to complete their peace mandate.

"We are determined, with God's will, to find a final solution to a tragedy which everyone agrees should come to an end," newspapers in the kingdom quoted him as saying.

More than 800 people have been killed since mid-March in shelling between forces loyal to Lebanese Christian Army commander Michel Aoun and Syrian troops backed by their Muslim and leftist militia allies.

Some 800,000 of Beirut's 1.05 million residents have fled since Christian Army chief Michel Aoun began a "war of liberation" in March to force Syrian troops out of Lebanon.

Many left the country but many more just moved to temporary camps in the south or north, within a few hours drive of Beirut.

The tents and makeshift wooden shelters covered by blankets or plastic sheets stand side-by-side on the hillside around the village of Annya, 1,200 metres (3,940 feet) above sea level and 40 km (25 miles) northeast of the gun batteries in Beirut.

Overpowering

Many refugees said they fled Christian east Beirut after their homes were damaged or destroyed by Syrian gunners or their Lebanese allies. Others escaped when fear became overpowering.

"We would have gone anywhere where there is no shelling," said Zakaria. "Our house was hit and every day many people were killed. It was too dangerous and frightening for the children."

Some have been there so long they have set up strings of light bulbs powered by illegally tapping into the mains electricity cables alongside the road.

"It's so quiet up here. We never hear a shell or explosion," said Julieanne Azz, 25, who with her husband and one-year-old baby left the east Beirut neighbourhood of Sed El Bouchrieh in July.

The only sounds which break the mountain calm are the honking of cars and occasional crack of rifles as bored youths and their fathers hunt down the area's declining population of small birds.

One Arab ambassador in Nicosia said Damascus was ready to help the committee after succeeding in convincing it of some of Syria's security needs in Lebanon and Aoun, who commands 15,000 soldiers, was willing to co-operate.

The US last week evacuated its embassy in Christian east Beirut in a move some political analysts said was aimed at maintaining the status quo between the rival armies in Lebanon.

Washington said the action was taken because the safety of its diplomats could no longer be guaranteed.

France changed its plans to send a naval task force to Lebanon after Syria and its allies criticised the deployment as support for Aoun.

"After the Americans left him and the French pulled out their fleet Aoun now realises that the Arab committee is his only chance. He has to play or lose it all," he said.

The Lebanese people and Arab nation attach great hopes to the committee's efforts ... and the start of a new age of detente, love, security and brotherhood," the official Saudi Press Agency, received in Nicosia, said.

The Lebanese, however, are less optimistic about prospects for peace, having seen dozens of peace efforts disappear in a blaze of cannon and rocket fire.

But political analysts in Beirut said the committee had a good chance of arranging a ceasefire that would restore the pre-March status quo.

The chances of an overall settlement remained bleak, they added.

"The committee has better chances of success this time because the warring factions are now convinced that there can not be a military solution," an Arab diplomat in Riyadh said.

A statement by the committee said last week the ministers were meeting to "assess the situation and look into the possibility of moving again."

Factions

During their previous diplomatic shuttle, the ministers visited Syria and Iraq, which arms Aoun. They also sent an Arab League envoy to Lebanon to negotiate with the rival factions.

If the peacemakers can achieve a ceasefire the committee hopes to help convene the Lebanese parliament which would formulate constitutional and political reforms and elect a president.

Under the existing national charter, preference is given to the country's Maronite Christians.

Lebanon has been without a president since the term of Christian President Amin Gemayel ended last September.

The country has two rival governments — one used by Aoun and a Muslim-led caretaker administration headed by acting Prime Minister Selim Hoss.

One of the main difficulties in achieving a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon is that Damascus demands a parallel Israeli pullout from a self-declared security zone in southern Lebanon.

The Arab League wants all foreign forces to withdraw.

TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1613 — Turkey invades Hungary.
- 1752 — Britain adopts Gregorian calendar.
- 1774 — Russian pretender Pugachev is delivered by Cossacks to Russian government following decisive defeat and he subsequently is executed.
- 1812 — Napoleon Bonaparte enters Moscow and Russians set fires throughout the city.
- 1829 — Treaty of Andriano ends Russo-Turkish war.
- 1854 — Allied forces land unopposed in Crimean war with Russia.
- 1864 — Japan agrees to truce following attack by British, French and Dutch fleets in Shimonoseki straits in reprisal for Japan's closing ports and expelling foreigners.
- 1911 — Peter Stolypin, Russian premier, is assassinated.
- 1918 — Austria-Hungary makes peace offer to allies in World War I.
- 1923 — Miguel Primo de Rivera assumes dictatorship in Spain.
- 1947 — Poland denounces concordat with Roman Catholic Church.
- 1971 — China makes it clear it will refuse seat at United Nations while Chinese nationalists remain.
- 1972 — US senate approves US-Soviet agreement to freeze major part of their offensive nuclear arsenals for five years.
- 1987 — Report says unidentified warplane bombed barracks town in western Uganda near border with Zaire.
- 1988 — More than 100,000 people march through streets of Rangoon, Burma, demanding that President Maung Maung's authoritarian government step aside.

Israel put on the spot

Egypt comes up with Arab response

EGYPT, with cautious US backing, has put Israel on the spot by offering conditions for Palestinian elections that have split Israeli leaders. Western diplomats say.

President Hosni Mubarak has urged Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) to back his terms for accepting a poll in the occupied territories, linking it to an Israeli commitment to eventually trade captured Arab land for peace.

That key condition plays on a rift between Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud Party, which opposes any territorial concession, and Vice-Premier Shimon Peres' Labour Party, which would yield part of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"Egypt has come up with a coherent Arab response to Israel's peace initiative which says 'yes' to elections and puts the ball back in the Israeli court," a Western diplomat said.

"Washington is coming to see the Egyptian proposals as the best hope of moving the peace process forward," he said.

A senior Israeli source said the United States was giving strong support behind the scenes to the Egyptian effort, urging Israel, Jordan and the PLO to negotiate on the conditions.

Shamir met his top three ministers yesterday — Labour's Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin with Foreign Minister Moshe Arens of Likud — to discuss the Egyptian proposal.

There was no report on the outcome of their debate, but Shamir later refused to allow the inner cabinet to discuss the issue.

Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan backed the Egyptian proposals in a Washington speech on Tuesday but PLO leader Yasser Arafat has been silent since meeting Mubarak in Cairo on Monday.

The Egyptian terms include international supervision of free elections, an Israeli commitment to abide by the result, the right of east Jerusalem Arabs to participate and a halt to Jewish settlement in occupied areas.

Responding to a Palestinian uprising now in its 22nd month, Israel offered in May to hold elections for Arab representatives to negotiate limited self-rule.

The Israeli plan promised talks on a final settlement within five years but gave no commitment to withdraw from the areas or stop settlement.

The PLO rejected elections before an Israeli withdrawal and before an assurance on the final status of the territories.

Eliezer statesman Abba Eban, just back from Egypt, said on Wednesday he expected Mubarak to invite Israeli and Palestinian negotiators to Cairo soon to discuss conditions for elections.

Israeli newspapers said the Egyptian leader was expected to use a Sept 29 UN General Assembly speech to issue the invitation and name a Palestinian delegation acceptable to the PLO and Washington.

The delegation would comprise leaders from the occupied territories and some Palestinians expelled by Israel, but no PLO officials, the reports said.

At least two leaders from the occupied territories were in Cairo this week to plead for a constructive



Hosni Mubarak: coherent response

Palestinian response on elections, senior Palestinian sources said.

They are warning the PLO that a continued political deadlock will lead to increased violence, hardship and factionalism in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Faced with the Egyptian challenge, Israeli leaders have responded in disarray.

Peres and several dovish Labour ministers have welcomed the Egyptian conditions as a basis for negotiations, while his more powerful and hawkish Labour colleague, Rabin, has avoided public com-

ment on the issue.

Shamir openly rebuked the foreign minister for discussing the Egyptian proposals with a visiting US envoy.

The Prime Minister's office has insisted there is no need to address the Egyptian ideas until an Arab partner has agreed in principle to the Israeli initiative.

However Shamir's aides say they regard the Egyptian proposals as an attempt to help the PLO and isolate Israel by focussing on the issue of "territory for peace." (Jerusalem — Reuter)

Moderates turn tables on rivals

A HUNDRED days ago, a vast outpouring of grief marked the burial of Ayatollah Khomeini, whose unbending dogma and unchallenged authority had given Iran a leadership no man could match.

In chaotic hysteria at Tehran's Behesht-e-Zahra cemetery, mourners snatched at the shroud which wrapped the body of the aged Shiite Muslim cleric, tumbling his corpse briefly into the dust and delaying the funeral for several hours.

Power in Iran also seemed up for grabs. Men who were at each others' throats in Khomeini's shadow stepped to the centre of the political stage.

But to the surprise of many outsiders, the struggle for power has been peaceful. And for Western governments that see Islamic Iran as a dangerously unsettling force in the region, the outcome is encouraging.

Moderate clerics such as former President Ali Khamenei and his successor, Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, have turned the tables on their rivals.

Radicals like former Prime Minister Mir-Hossein Musavi and former interior minister have been shunted from the scene or relegated to junior positions.

Revival of a stagnant economy — hard hit by the eight-year Gulf war with Iraq halted by a ceasefire

year ago — is now seen as the main political task. Few observers doubt that improving relations with the outside world will be a key means to that end.

Iran's constitution, revised in a process which spanned Khomeini's last months and the early weeks of the new era, has also gained greater importance, defining the roles of different institutions in a way that seems to make the Islamic Republic a more predictable power.

"While Khomeini was alive, the President was moving in one direction and the prime minister in another. The interior minister would meddle in foreign policy matters," said Baeer Moin, a London-based journalist who has written a biography of Khomeini.

"Now all officials are bound by the constitution."

Radicals had been in the ascendancy right up to Khomeini's death, their antagonism to the West refreshed by his call for the death of British novelist Salman Rushdie for blasphemy.

The choice of Ayatollah Khamenei to replace Khomeini as Iran's supreme spiritual leader reverberated that trend.

The election of Rafsanjani, an ally of Khamenei, as President in July concentrated religious and

political authority in the hands of moderates for the first time since the 1979 revolution.

Rafsanjani, a white-turbaned cleric regarded by Iranians as the main political power, has with Khamenei rapidly consolidated the moderates' grip.

Mohstaheni was dropped from the cabinet against the wishes of a radical majority in Parliament.

Musavi, whose job of prime minister was abolished in the constitutional changes, now holds an advisory post where he seems firmly under the President's control.

In Khomeini's time, decision-making, particularly on economic policy, was hindered by the division of powers. Musavi had favoured state-run enterprises, while Khamenei, then the president, sought a share for the private business.

Moderates in the Foreign Ministry had likewise watched helplessly as Mohstaheni preached defiance of the West and declared support for fundamentalist groups holding hostages in Lebanon.

Mohstaheni, who helped found Hezbollah in Lebanon while Iranian ambassador to Syria opposed moves that might have won the release of the captives, Rafsanjani has offered conditional help to free them. (Nicosia — Reuter)

Bittersweet

Indian panorama or Pandora?

SIR: Apropos the letter The Indian Panorama (AT, Sept 4), the argument that India had acquired a formidable array of arms solely to counter aggression from super powers and other lesser powers is to say the least, naive. Can India be armed against all possible contingencies that could occur? Can it take on the superpowers like America, or lesser powers like China?

Its nuclear deterrence does not, and will not deter China, which can lob a few H-bombs with lethal effect; nor does its one-million-man Army match China's Army for its battle fitness when it cannot take on untrained soldiers from Sri Lanka. India is simply inviting aggression even from the least expected quarters. Are India's ambitions truly peaceful?

Judging from its fiasco in Sri Lanka, where it had gone with a force of 30,000 armed men, battle tanks and several divisions, to enforce a peace against a handful — 2000 men, they are not.

In the Congo the UN sent a 500 man force to enforce a UN mandated peace. Is the settling of internal strife the role of the UNO or that of a regional power like India? Then mainland China could ostensibly 'invade' Singapore, where it has a considerable ethnic Chinese, or in Hong Kong? Of course, there could be any pretext for such ostensibly peaceful actions.

The real reason, though covert, is to keep America off Sri Lanka, judging by its special clauses in the preamble to the so-called Peace Pact, which is, by any stretch of imagination, to be said to be peaceful. Those who had access to Indian defence files contend that the former prime minister had wanted to invade Sri Lanka, and that they recruited youths paying them a regular salary and trained them in the Himalayan foothills! It has proved to be a Himalayan folly.

India is now bogged down in the Sri Lankan jungles, losing manpower, arms caches, costing \$300 million as your paper had reported. "So what harm if India builds up its defensive capability?" The same argument could be advanced by even Lebanon to defend itself against France, Syria, Iraq

and Iran. Then even tiny Singapore could decide to go nuclear, why not Indonesia and all those countries suffering from a sense of inferiority due to its colonial past, or a sense of paranoid frenzy should not waste its meagre resources to go nuclear, because by that very act it would instigate Pakistan to produce a nuclear bomb. India now wants ICBMs to deliver nuclear warheads. Can't Pakistan do the same? But you can really use A-bombs or H-bombs in a war?

That would be tantamount to nuclear MADness — Mutually Assured Destruction, a concept now discarded as untenable. It would merely escalate the arms race, and help the arms suppliers like Bofors to enrich itself and the bureaucratic middlemen.

In the nuclear field the big boys are not alarmed at India's fledgling capability, as the big boys don't think India is any match to England, or France or America, either separately or together, with their sophisticated, fast and accurate delivery systems, so deadly devastating. It only alarms the smaller boys — Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, who cannot match India's offensive capabilities.

How could nuclear deterrence going to deliver India from its mostly imagined woes of a bygone decade or decades under Imperial Britain? What the author is talking about "deliverance" in biblical terms beats me? His statements constitutes what he himself connotes: "a conglomerate of misconceived information," because the statements relating to "as a guinea pig to experiment their medicines and technology" is not relevant to the argument at issue — India's acquisition of a formidable array of arms not "medicines."

The world is in this predicament because of the arms race. If every trivial disputes had to be settled by invoking arms by every party, leading to the other party doing the same, there would be more Lebans.

If this is taken to its logical conclusion, borrowing India's argument, that if Syria were to ask for nuclear tipped missiles, and then Iraq would supply the other party with similar nuclear tipped missiles, the situation would be fraught with disastrous consequences.

It is the onus of responsibility for the UNO or a world government to settle disputes through effective dialogue or the use of optimum level of force, as you see in Palestine, where the UN peacekeeping force had not used indiscriminate shelling at civilians, and is able to maintain a semblance of order. The same cannot be said of the Indian soldiers, who had killed Hindus in their temples, Muslims in the eastern province, and Buddhist villagers in the city of Anuradhapura.

It had defied the head of state, and continue to engage in hostilities; and its terms of reference had expired, and it insists that its job is still not over. So the argument that it had arrogated to itself the authority, overriding the authority conferred upon it by the former head of state, is fully satisfied, for it would appear that India and not Sri Lanka, wanted this interference in its internal dispute. So it would appear that it was India that coerced Sri Lanka into a pact, for its own reasons, not by invitation by Sri Lanka.

Indian belligerence is unmistakably clear to any rational being. India had sent a force to Bangladesh, Mal

Jasmine flowers again and again and spreads the sweet smell

JASMINE, by Bharati Mukherjee (Grove Press, 241 pp., \$17.95)

WHEN you get to the end of 'Jasmine' by Bharati Mukherjee, you want to shout go for it go for it!

It's the story of an Indian girl from the Punjab whose life goes from one tragedy to another, while she survives with cunning and a bravura born of fear.

From widowhood in the Punjab, Jyoti of Hasnapur becomes Jasmine of Manhattan and then Jane Rippemeyer of Baden, Elsa County, Iowa, blending, changing to meet new circumstances.

Her arrival in the United States aboard a smuggler's boat is brutal, murderous, but fate and kind hearts pass her to flushing, NY to a sojourn

with her late husband's old professor.

Escaping from the restrictions of that emigre Indian community she becomes a nurse in Manhattan, and the Jasmine flower blossoms as 'caregiver', student and gentle lover.

But the idyll is broken and, driven by terror westward, she becomes Jane, once again caregiver and lover to a middle-aged, paraplegic banker, and surrogate mother to Du, a young Vietnamese.

When her Manhattan connection is reestablished, she takes the lessons learned and the Jasmine flowers again.

Mukherjee, a native of India and now a New York resident, creates prose that floats like the gold-edge of a sari in a gentle breeze.

BICYCLE DAYS, By John Burnham

Schwartz (Summit, 253 pp., \$18.95)

OPTIONALLY a young author comes along and shocks the literary world with a sterling first novel. John Burnham Schwartz is not one of them.

His novel, 'Bicycle Days,' is the story of Alec Stern, a young Yale graduate testing the waters of expatriate life in Japan.

The book, originally a senior thesis, helped Schwartz, 23, earn a degree from Harvard but it is not likely to earn him much money.

Schwartz's characters are superficial and his descriptions of life in Japan rarely go beyond the clichés familiar to anyone who has ever visited or read about Japan.

The book's worst fault is it simply

fails to entertain.

Schwartz does little more than trot out the now familiar images of crowded subways and workaholic businessmen.

His portrayal of Japanese women is a welcome exception as he avoids the submissive Japanese woman stereotype.

As a coming of age novel set in Japan, Schwartz has stiff competition from two 1985 novels — Brad Leithauer's 'Equal Distance' and John David Morley's 'Pictures From the Water Trade' which gave readers more insights into Japan wrapped around more entertaining tales.

BLESSINGS, By Belva Plain (Delacorte, 340 pp., \$19.95)

'Blessings' is another triumph for

the author of 'Tapestry' and 'Evergreen.'

Jennie Rakowsky is our heroine — and what a heroine she is, poised, a gutsy lawyer — on the brink of marrying the man of her dreams.

But out of her past comes the child she put up for adoption, and the man who abandoned and betrayed her. Her triumphant tower of fortune starts to crumble and her deceptions and fears come home to roost with the future holding nothing but pain and fear.

'Blessings' is a story to bring tears to the eyes as Jennie faces her past and the final revelations to her fiance, Jay. The characters are real people with foibles and passions.

'Blessings' is a masterpiece of storytelling magic.

THE TEMPLE DOGS, By Warren Murphy and Molly Cochran (NAL, 327 pp., \$18.95)

American businessmen have been taking a beating from Japanese businessmen for years and in 'The Temple Dogs' by Warren Murphy and Molly Cochran the Japanese win again — only this time it's the Japanese underworld, the Yakuza, pitted against the Mafia.

Miles Haverford, an attorney who is part Japanese, seeks vengeance on the top mafia gang in New York when his sister, Susie and her husband are slain on their wedding day by the son of a mafia overlord. Haverford, who up until that time had denied his Japanese roots, goes to Japan to seek help from an old

family friend, who just happens to head the Onami, the most powerful Yakuza gang in Japan.

Haverford steps into the clandestine, realistic world of the Yakuza and in the process regains his Japanese heritage.

Murphy and Cochran, who are winners of the 1984 Edgar Award, have collaborated in the past on works like 'Grandmaster' and 'High Priest.' This work is a taut novel imbued with a philosophical interpretation of Japan's rigid class structure.

It has the martial arts mayhem, grittiness and off-beat dialogue characteristic of other similar works but is set apart by its striving to interpret the forces that have shaped Japanese life. And it succeeds on all levels.

Indian stars in political jungle

My entry into the film world was totally unplanned: Meenakshi

By Firoze Rangoonwala

INDIANS will go to poll for parliament this year and before the year is over should be decided which party will be guiding the country's destiny. In such a crucial period, film stars with their popularity can't be far behind. Some will take a headlong plunge, and others will be supporting from the sidelines. Anyway the games are all afoot.

Amitabh Bachchan, Sunil Dutt, Rajesh Khanna and ex-star Vyjayantimala are of course arraigned behind the ruling Congress (I). Amitabh's choice to stand for election again (after last year's fiasco) was kept shrouded in uncertainty. Though rumours kept floating that he would stand from Allahabad again.

Indirectly he kept doing subtle propaganda through his different agencies as well as in his film dialogue and songs. The 'Toofan' song promoted family planning (only two children) and also said that there problems all around, but people must recite 'don't worry, be happy' and in turn be happy. Sunil Dutt has been quietly doing the work in his constituency where there are lots of slums along with a small pocket of very rich houses. Rajesh Khanna belongs to the same area and his interests are clashing with Sunil, who has already stopped the demolition of tin huts and in fact got them rebuilt.

Sunil Dutt may ask for an election ticket from the same zone as Rajesh Khanna. Khanna is said to have met the Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and asked to be made a candidate from this safe constituency. This request is a bit risky for the party, since Dutt's work is any day more intense than Khanna's. Besides Sunil is much more popular.

Many a film star has been called for canvassing despite the fact that the stunt usually boomerangs. For example, Sri Devi and Vyjayantimala failed in Tamil Nadu, like Arun Govil and Dara Singh in UP.

On the other hand, the opposition is also bolstered by stars. Raj Babbar has boldly supported and sided with V.P. Singh. Babbar could contest and win from Agra. Shatrughan Sinha has got his stronghold in Patna or any place in Bihar. He boasts that he would win hands down but was hunting for the right party to get him a ticket. Shabana Azmi has shown her true colours by opting for the Communist Party and Pappa Kaif's native place Azamgarh as the constituency. Former Star N.T. Rama Rao who is already leading the opposition in Andhra Pradesh has set himself firmly against the Congress for the coming elections, through the National Front.

Each is trying and preparing the utmost to win the ballot battle. It has also led to some strange and funny situation. NTR started a Telugu-Hindi film 'Brah-



Shatrughan Sinha (right) praises Sunil Dutt, though belonging to different political shades.



Meenakshi: warm and funny

Q. And your coming films?

- A. It was totally unplanned. I had never thought of cinema. I had filled up a form for a "Miss India" contest and was surprised when I was declared the winner. I got my break. When Manoj Kumar saw me in TV programmes and called me up. He was looking for a heroine for 'Painter Babu' so I auditioned for the part and I got it, and the rest is history.
- Q. Did you get disappointed when you tasted failure?
- A. For some time, yes. I realised that becoming a film heroine was no piece of cake. A big effort was needed. Luckily I was not given up as a one-film flop. They started giving me chances. So I continued. Doing something is better than doing nothing.
- Q. What made you keep your chin up during the struggle?
- A. My zeal and will power. I was prepared for all hardships during shooting. I also eagerly picked up the nuances.
- Q. When did you make your entry into the arts?
- A. When I was young my mother used to run a class for Bharat Natyam dance and I would go over and watch her as well as the students and also try to imitate them. Seeing my interest my mother started teaching me separately. I made my first stage appearance when I was hardly five.

ces of acting, in bits and pieces.

Q. You are one of the few single actresses. Any plans for marriage?

A. I haven't thought much about marriage but I feel every woman must stand on her feet, whether married or not. She must keep working to get some income and be self-dependent. About marriage plans, things happen to you; one can't really plan anything.

Q. Do you like the industry?

A. Of course, where else do you get so much money, fame, wish fulfillment and pampering? I am very happy as an actress.

Q. Any unfinished desire?

A. To play comic roles, full of pep, like 'Love Marriage' and the first part of 'Hero'. They don't give me roles like that. Thought I am asking directors, who prefer me, to come forward with such stuff.

Q. What is this reputation of

"thandi Meenakshi"?

- A. The way these glossy magazines write, people may think I am some ancient ice-berg which refuses to melt. In real life I am the opposite. But I am not very comfortable with strangers. I only hope that by thandi, the Press does not mean my not having 'hot' hero affairs. In that case, I would prefer to remain totally 'cold'.

Anita Raj thinks that marriage should not stop a saleable star from acting and making money. She has proved it in her own brother's "Taqatwar", how much she can expose opposite the tough and silent Sunjay Dutt. Now she is back at it after marriage and even child. Her fitness exercises and dieting helped her to regain what most heroines fail to get.

TV serial "Mahabharata" was

Amrita Singh: There is no marriage on the cards with Vinod Khanna. If we are happy this way, why not? I have told him my decision. He will have to get used to it.

Saima Agha: My dress in 'Jungle Ki Bedi' was far more respectable. These days actresses wear bikinis for no rhyme or reason. And my film even had a U certificate.

Shakti Kapoor: I shall be the No 1. very soon. Not as a villain, not as a hero, but as an actor. And I want the image which my wife wants ... a respectable man of the industry.

Dimple: Rajesh Khanna loves to create the illusion that he is the GIVER. I thought he was making 'Jai Shiv Shankar' for my daughters. That's why I worked almost free for it.

Govinda: I was lost in work for four years. Just going from one set to another. I did not know how much money is coming in and how much is going out. I will have to be careful now.



A scene from Road House.

Loner cleans up

Set to break records

By Shawn Selsky

ROAD HOUSE is a homage to the American "Western," set in a present day context using tavern brawls as the good guys and the unruly customers as the outlaws. Patrick Swayze, continues to hover on the edge of major stardom plays Dalton, a "loner" who comes into town to clean up the Double Deuce, a Missouri saloon.

He is, in fact, the modern day equivalent of Wyatt Earp and bears a reputation on the road house circuit of having the fastest fists in the West. But, Dalton is still bearing the emotional scars of having killed a man in Memphis and instructs his minions to put an end to the mighty saloon brawls with a minimum of force.

However this is easier said than done. Standing in his way is the town bully, Brad Wesley (Beau Gatzell), who makes a good living extorting local businessmen by threatening them with the violence of his hands if they offend him. Further complicating the plot is Doc (Kelli Giddish), Wesley's estranged girlfriend who goes there for Dalton.

The increasing tension comes to a head with a martial arts version of the classic Western gun duel between Dalton and Wesley's top gun.

BATMAN looks set to break all the records for cinema receipts, after one of the biggest advertising campaigns ever for a film they have already passed the \$200 million mark. Is it as good as all that? Well, for those that didn't want to wait to see the good copy that has just been released, I think the answer would probably have been a "no". But now that one can see and above all hear what is going on, it has to be a "yes".

Michael Keaton plays a kind of "everyman" hero, no muscular Rambo here, who tries to put some order back into Gotham City, a kind of Manhattan, but worse. His mother and father were killed in front of him when he was only five years old and to get revenge he has decided to become BATMAN. As soon as a criminal act takes place, the brilliant businessman puts down his "Wall Street Journal," gets his English butler to iron his cape and sets off to right wrongs. It starts to get complicated when Kim Basinger falls in love with the masked avenger. The Joker, brilliantly played by Jack Nicholson, will not allow this and the battle heats up.

SHADOW DANCING stars Nadine van der Velde as an aspiring young dancer and Christopher Plummer as the ageing owner of the theatre where she gets her big break. But Jesswica (Nadine) soon finds her personality undergoing a radical change as she begins to enact key moments in the life of Liliane LaNuit, a beautiful dancer who died on stage fifty years before.

ANOTHER CHANCE stars Bruce Greenwood as John Ripley a young actor who has everything he could ask for ... money, a fast car and all the girls he wants, until he meets Jackie (Vanessa Angel). For the first time in his life he falls in love and stays faithful to one woman. Then in a moment of weakness he falls prey to the temptress and consequently loses Jackie. Will he get 'another chance' to regain his lost love or is he unable to mend his ways?

TO HEAL A NATION is another telling of the Vietnam story. When Jan Scruggs returns from the war, he was unable to forget his comrades who died so senselessly and decided to devote himself to making sure that they would be regarded as heroes.

A NIGHT AT THE MAGIC CASTLE is a good story for children: a ten-year-old boy spends some time with the ghost of Harry Houdini and has many adventures at the Magic Castle.

Dotty for Dotty which made a few friends during an interlude

Maybe on her next flight she'll make a detour for old times' sake

By Kathy Cuddihy

An hour later the scenario repeated itself. "It's back. That pigeon is strutting across the lawn like it's mapping territory."

"Well, let's hope that this time it stays around long enough so that we can make a positive identification. Not that I have any doubts about your accuracy, Mom," I added hastily.

Sure enough, there on the lawn stood a true-blue pigeon, its chest puffed proudly, seemingly waiting for us to pay homage. We approached cautiously. In order not to frighten the bird, we made soothing pigeon noises, feeling only faintly silly. Except for frequent eye-blinking, the bird didn't move a muscle. Amazing. Perhaps our cooing and clucking meant something intelligible to

the creature, because suddenly it hopped onto my arm, not a fear on its legs. I immediately understood why it was so tame.

"This bird belongs to someone. We should phone the local police and give them the band numbers. Then if anyone reports a lost pigeon, they can tell them it was last seen here," I suggested.

To my disappointment, the police did not display as much concern about the bird as we did.

"Sure, it's probably only a racing pigeon taking a wee rest. Don't bother your head. It'll be on its way in no time."

Such logic embarrassed me. Of course it was a racing pigeon. At least, that's the explanation that

Dotty impatiently tapping at the window, looking for company — or a decent breakfast.

"Dotty probably doesn't eat Crunchy Calories so I'll go out and forage for her," my daughter volunteered.

"And I'll build her a comfy shelter," my son said proudly.

I felt obliged to remind the young enthusiasts that Dotty was only resting and would soon be on her way.

Dotty made a liar out of me.

By the third day, it became perfectly clear that this bird wasn't taking a "wee rest". She was having a full-scale holiday. And why not? Thanks to the kids' efforts, she now had a luxury suite and gourmet meals on demand. She was becoming so fat and contented that she might never want to fly again.

A news broadcast cleared up part of the mystery of Dotty's attachment. An explosion on the sun caused interference in the airwaves (or whatever), inhibiting the homing instincts of thousands of racing pigeons.

"And I'll build her a comfy shelter," my son said proudly.

I felt sorry for all those worried owners, but more than a little pleased that we might have Dotty indefinitely.

"Indefinitely" proved to be sadly brief. Two days later there was no morning wake-up from Dotty. We rushed outside and checked her little house empty. We did find a few down feathers on the lawn, however.

"Gooh, Mom, let's not think about her," I said. "She's gone. Dotty had come from a good home, because she had such a loving, trusting per-

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Seminar on investment

French economy under review

UNDER the joint sponsorship of Banque Indofood, head office, Paris, the Bahrain branch, the brokerage firm Cieuvreux de Viret, and Carr futures International, organised a seminar on investing in the French market ahead of 1992 on Wednesday last at the Kuwait Meridien.

Guy de la Presle, senior vice-president, presided on Wednesday.

The bank's specialists reviewed the French economy, the equity, bonds and futures markets. Dr Thierry Apoteker, the chief economist, of Banque Indofood addressed the meeting. Stephen Astier, head of investment, Banque Indofood, Bahrain also attended.

The French economy is the second in Europe, after that of West Germany, with a gross domestic product of almost one thousand billion dollars in 1988.

The economy is supported by a population growth that is more dynamic than that of the other leading European countries, and has a structure that is well diversified as between agriculture, industry and services.

After going through a period of economic recuperation in the early 1980s that was both longer and later completed than that of the industrial countries, in general, France caught up with the rest in 1987-88, and has returned to rapid growth. Corporate investment and exports were the two most dynamic elements in this growth, demonstrating the solid underpinning.

Inflation is now well under control. France is the only major developed country apart from Canada to have kept the 1988 price rise down to below that of the previous year.



Guy de la Presle addresses the meeting.



Some of those who attended the seminar

developed country apart from Canada to have kept the 1988 price rise down to below that of the previous year.

It came out at 2.7 per cent, on average, compared with 3.1 per cent in 1987. Since the abandonment in 1983 of price-indexing of wages, the evolution in wage costs has been kept well in hand and this has enabled disinflation to take place. No deterioration is expected in this situation in 1989, when the price rise is expected again to be in the region of 3 per cent.

The 1988 trade deficit (33 billion francs, \$5.5 billion) is equivalent to only a very small proportion of GDP, and is largely offset by a surplus on services account.

France is in fact the world's second largest exporter of services, thanks mainly to activities in the financial services, engineering consultancy and tourism fields.

This means that the current account of the balance of payments is close to equilibrium, putting France in an intermediate position between the traditional surplus countries, West Germany and Japan, and the countries with large external deficits (United States, United Kingdom).

The budget deficit, which reached 115 billion francs in 1988,

should be reduced to 100 billion francs in 1989, equivalent to no more than around 1.5 per cent of GDP. A traditionally austere fiscal policy has meant that public debt has been limited to around 1,400 billion francs, the lowest proportion of GDP of any of the major developed countries.

The disinflation policy of the 1980s permitted a considerable recovery in the financial results of French companies. Their gross margin (ratio of current earnings to value added) was 30 per cent in 1988, higher than it had been before the first oil shock. The corporate savings ratio has also improved, but somewhat more slowly, because of the previous accumulation of

debt. Interest expenditure as a proportion of current earnings has now levelled off at around 10 per cent (around 3 per cent of value added).

An intensive deregulation policy has been applied in France since 1984. The most notable features have been the virtually entire abolition of exchange controls, the elimination of credit restrictions and their replacement by a monetary policy based on interest rates and the de facto anchoring of the French franc to the DM.

This has made possible a rapid expansion of Paris as a financial centre, a movement which was also helped by the privatizations

of 1986-1987. Growth in the Paris market capitalization has been the fastest of all the world's stock markets since the beginning of the 1980s (after Tokyo's).

The confidence expressed in the outlook for the French economy, the spectacular recovery in corporate earnings and the need to restructure French industrial capacity in preparation for the single European market of 1993 have made Paris the leading performer of all the world's main stock markets (Tokyo again excepted) in the past two years.

Senior Kuwaiti banking officials, investment experts and market analysts also attended the seminar.

World Bank likely to lend \$150m for projects

Jordan looks set to close financing gap for 1989

LONDON, Sept 13, (Reuters): Jordan is likely to need around \$200 to \$300 million of new money for the rest of 1989 after successful talks to reschedule its heavy foreign debt burden, country debt analysts at London-based banks said today.

The analysts said that following Jordan's debt rescheduling it was unlikely new funds would come from major UK European and US banks as these organisations would now need to make provisions for possible future non-payment.

Instead, the analysts said, more aid from the Arab world and promised funds for multilateral agencies, like the World Bank and International Monetary Fund, will cover the financing gap.

"Pledges of funds from the Arab World, the IMF and World Bank has closed the financing gap for Jordan until the middle of 1991," one London banker said.

Jordan's current account deficit was estimated at 450 million dinars for 1988 and is seen at around the same level this year.

Jordan officials confirmed on Monday that a committee representing more than 90 Arab and Western banks had agreed to delay principal repayments of \$575 million due between January 1989 and June 1991 on debts of \$1.1 billion.

The agreement on commercial debt followed the rescheduling of government debt agreed with the Paris Club on July 19.

The Paris Club of creditor nations on July 20 agreed to reschedule payments due on certain loans and credits to Jordan over a 10-year period, with five years'

grace. The rescheduling was estimated to have saved Jordan \$133 million.

Another Middle East analyst, who asked not to be identified, said: "It's all hanging together now. The standby facility with the IMF, an injection of new money by the Arab countries and funds from the multilateral agencies following the amortisation agreed through the Paris and London clubs has closed the financing gap."

The London club is a term used to describe a group of international creditor banks.

"There is no formal package of new money, it remains up to the individual banks to determine whether to keep providing short term finance and export credit," the analyst added.

The IMF has agreed to give

Jordan an 18-month standby credit of 60 million Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) and 18.6 million which can be drawn at once for budget supports.

The World Bank is expected to lend Jordan \$150 million for projects to boost industry, exports and investment, although analysts said the money had not yet been formally lent.

At the same time the level of Arab aid, the decline of which helped create the crisis in Jordan, is expected to pick up.

Economists estimated total Arab aid fell to around \$200 million last year from \$300 to \$600 million per year in the early 1980s. This year, they said, the end of the Gulf war and the Jordanian government's effort to seek support from its neighbours would bring in around \$400 million.

Dollar dips

UK shares firm

LONDON, Sept 13, (Reuters): The dollar closed a shade weaker in quiet European trading today as dealers sat back to await a batch of US economic data due out on Friday.

London stocks edged back over 2,400 on the 100-share FTSE index after Wall Street opened higher.

"The dollar does not look likely to move much now, but any moves on Friday will make up for the dullness of the rest of the week," said Bank of America trader Gerhard Sunderdick in Frankfurt.

Dealers said the market's mood was still positive but they were reluctant to commit themselves too deeply ahead of the US data including merchandise trade for July and industrial production.

Dealers said Friday's flurry of statistics would overshadow tomorrow's release of US August retail sales.

Attention would focus on the trade deficit, which is forecast by independent economists to widen to \$8.9 billion from \$8.2 billion in June.

A narrower than expected trade deficit could encourage traders to bid the dollar above two West German marks, but fears about possible central bank intervention could limit any gains.

"Until the data come out the dollar will stay between 1.9750 and 1.99 marks," said one dealer in Frankfurt.

The dollar ended in London at 1.9800 markets and 146.97 Japanese yen after ending Tuesday at 1.9897 and 147.10.

London share prices ended higher in active business, supported by a firmer market tone on Wall Street, dealers said.

The Financial Times-Stock Exchange index of 100 top shares closed 3.9 points up at 2,401.5.

The Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street stood 5.13 points up at 2,712.39 by noon in New York.

Gold bullion closed at \$358.25 an ounce in London, down half a dollar from Tuesday's finish.

Debt burden warned

IMF pleased with economic growth

WASHINGTON, Sept 13, (Reuters): World economic growth has proved to be surprisingly strong, but the burden of debt is still crushing many poor countries, the International Monetary Fund said in its annual report.

The 151-nation lending agency welcomed the continuation of healthy growth in output and investment in the industrial world and said developing nations as a group enjoyed one of their highest growth rates in a decade in 1988.

But the IMF, which oversees the world economy, warned that the current prosperity is threatened on a number of fronts and said governments must co-ordinate their policies better.

The report was originally scheduled to be released yesterday, but due to advice from market news service and other news organisations that they had already issued the story, the report was available for immediate publication.

How to sustain economic growth and ease the burden of Third World debt will be major to topics when thousands of officials and bankers gather here next week for the annual meetings of the IMF and its sister agency, the World Bank.

As in the past, the fund aimed its bluntest warning at the United States, whose massive trade deficit remains a major source of vulnerability in the agency's view.

Repeating advice that has become conventional wisdom, the fund said the best way to reduce the trade deficit was to close the government's budget gap, which would allow resources to be channelled into exports without adding to inflation or crowding out investment.

As well as the need for "urgent and forceful" action to reduce the budget deficit, the IMF said measures might also be needed to end the US tax code's bias against private savings.

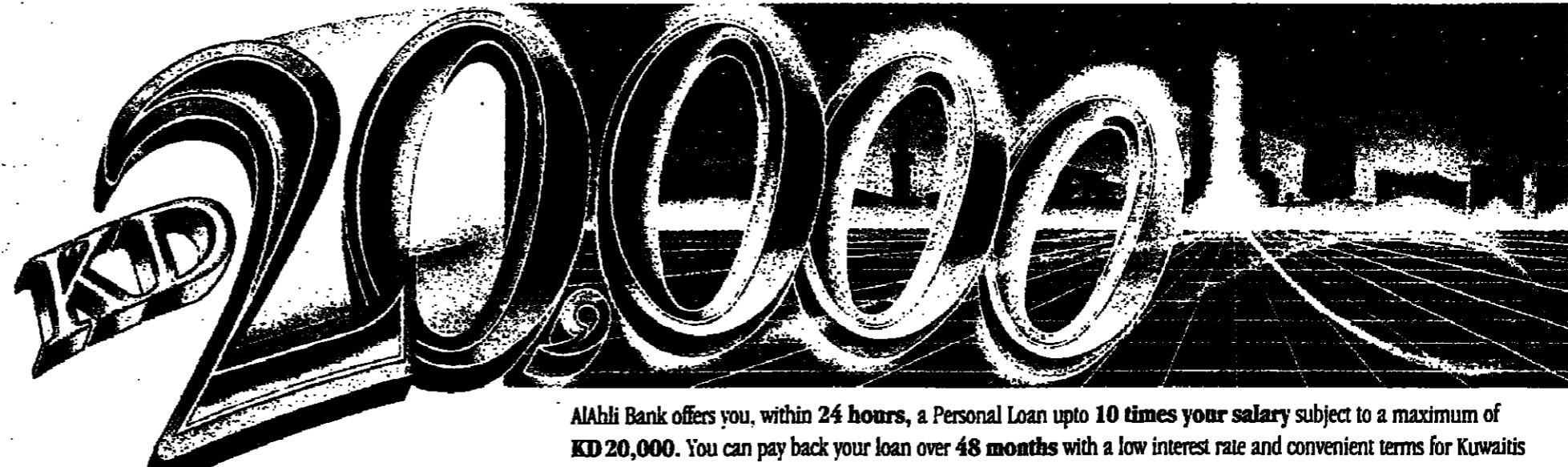
Plans to float bonds in US

AMMAN, Sept 13, (Reuters): Jordan will float 30-year bonds worth \$50 million in the American market on September 26, a Jordanian official said.

The bonds will be guaranteed by the United States Agency for International Development (Usaid) and the borrowing will be used to support housing projects for low-income families and build up Jordan's foreign exchange reserves, he added.

Jordan owes foreign debt of more than \$7 billion. Arab aid boosted its foreign exchange reserves from \$20 million in May to \$500 million in August.

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Oil reserves will last 32 years

LAGOS, Sept 13, (Reuters): Nigeria's proven oil reserves, currently estimated at 16.6 billion barrels, would permit the pumping of crude for another 32 years, according to Petroleum Resources Minister Khilwan Lakman.

In a speech delivered yesterday, Lakman, who is also president of Opec, said reserves had shrunk from their 1974 peak of 20.9 billion barrels, but their life expectancy had risen.

"With the decline in production...largely in response to adverse world conditions, the life of our crude oil has risen to 32 years," he said.

In the 1970s high prices and a large exploration effort coincided with production rising to a 1979 peak of 2.4 million barrels per day (BPD), while the life expectancy of the reserves fell to 20 years, Lakman said.

Production was now around 1.4 million BPD, he said.

A 1986 agreement with the major oil companies active in the country encouraged exploration to build reserves.

"The fiscal terms reached with the joint venture partners are constantly under review to ensure that Nigeria remains an attractive zone for oil operations," Lakman said.

Benson and Hedges Management Challenge

Ernst and Whinney wins again

By M.C. Bose

A RARE repeat success story for the Benson & Hedges Management Challenge took place in Kuwait on Tuesday: the team from Ernst & Whinney of Raymond Cooper, Ivan da Silva and Deepak Khular won the Kuwait final again this year. They won last year's Kuwait country final and performed well in the grand final in Penang, Malaysia. "To come back and win again was exhilarating especially against such a strong competition. The exercise was even more sophisticated and challenging than last year's, but once again it proved to be a great educational experience," said Cooper upon hearing the result.

The team for Gulf Investment Corporation came second.

Ian Clarke, the Management Challenge organiser told the Arab Times on Tuesday during a final presentation meeting at Regency Palace.

He said Kuwait winners will join the Saudi French Bank from Jeddah, and the Saudi Irish Dairy Co. from Riyadh in this year's grand final, to be held later this year in the UK.

Kuwait is renowned in the Benson & Hedges Management Challenge's history having won the first grand final in 1984 with a team from the Commercial Bank of Kuwait. Today's win promises a substantial opportunity for Kuwait in the competition's final stage.

Clarke said the Benson & Hedges Management Challenge's organisers will go on to Bahrain, when the next country final will be held on September 16, 1989. In all, nine regional teams will represent their respective countries in the grand final for the 1989 title.

The country victors can now look forward to an exciting trip to the UK, the heart of the business world, in November where their proven talents will be put to a greater test: the "grand final." In this third stage of the Benson & Hedges Management Challenge, the local winners will come face to face with the regional champions from eight other locations in the Middle East.

The Benson & Hedges Man-

Participating companies — Kuwait:

Kuwait Drilling Company, P.O. Box 9066, Ahmadi 61001 — Ahmed M. Al Khatib, Mohammed Israque, Mohammed D. A. Rahim, Gulf Investment Corporation (second), P.O. Box 3402, Safat 13035 — Kazem Hayat, Gururaj Rao, Raju Jacob, Ernst & Whinney (first), P.O. Box 74, Safat 13001 — Raymond Cooper, Ivan da Silva, Deepak Khular.

Arthur Young Baker Al Razie & Co., P.O. Box 2115, Safat 13022 — Nizar Hasse Badwan, Raymundo T.C. Serafica III, Apostolos T. Eliopoulos.

Bader Al Mulla & Bros. W.L.L. (third), P.O. Box 177, 13002 Safat — S.A. Salem, Prakesh M. Abraham, Ramasamy Balu.

Kuwait National Petroleum Co., Shuaiba Refinery, P.O. Box 9202, Ahmadi — Humanshu Bhavnik, Shams A. Akhtar, Ashok Kamthan.

The prizes were presented by Abdul Latif Al Kharrazah, general manager of Co-op Union.

Italian bank crisis deepens dispute with Iraq

ROME, Sept. 13, (Reuters): The crisis at Italy's largest bank over huge unreported loans to Baghdad has worsened a long-standing row over the blocked delivery of Italian warships to Iraq, banking sources said today.

The dispute, which led Iraq to suspend payments in 1988 on a whole range of Italian contracts worth more than \$3 billion, appeared close to solution early this year but has now been complicated by the Banca Nazionale Del Lavoro (BNL) affair, the sources said.

The news forced the resignation of BNL's president and director general.

The BNL board was meeting today to discuss the crisis and its implications for the bank's longer-term plans to recapitalise.

China feels economic pinch

New investment likely to stagnate

BEIJING, Sept. 13, (Reuters): In early June, China's Army shot its way into Beijing to crush a campaign for democratic reforms. Now, it is the country's economy that is under fire.

Even before the Army stormed Beijing, China's economy was faltering. But foreign diplomats and businessmen say the impact from the bloody events on June 4 is beginning to show.

They also express concern that Beijing lacks the determination to turn its ailing economy around.

"Most of the impact will show up later," said a Western diplomat. "I don't believe China has the will to deal with it."

China has been struggling to cool its overheated economy and bring down the inflation rate from the 25.5 percent it reached in the first half of this year. A year ago, Beijing slapped controls on rampant official spending but to little avail.

Its problems have intensified since troops marched into Beijing in those early days of June, killing hundreds, perhaps thousands of people.

Although many foreigners who fled in June have returned, confidence has not.

New investment is expected to stagnate this year after a healthy start. The US Central Intelligence Agency estimates the value of new foreign investment contracts — once seen as likely to reach \$8 billion this year — may not top last year's \$5.2 billion.

The World Bank has halted new credits and commercial lenders have followed suit, saying that when lending resumes it will be more expensive in terms of interest and conditions.

China's leaders have begun to acknowledge the depth of their problems. In early September, Vice-Premier Yao Yilin told parliament the country's 1.1 billion people should expect more austerity because the government is short of cash.

"We face severe financial problems," Yao said. "We have no choice but to vigorously raise revenue and cut spending."

Despite an official campaign to check inflation, Beijing has been forced to about double air, rail and boat fares to help the nation's creaking transport system pay its bills.

Jaguar profits plunge

LONDON, Sept. 13, (Reuters): British luxury carmaker Jaguar, focus of takeover speculation in recent months, said today its profits plunged in the first six months of this year, due mainly to weak US sales.

A weak dollar and rivals' discounts hurt margins on exports to the United States, Jaguar's main overseas market, it said.

Pre-tax profits tumbled to £1.4 million (\$2.2 million) in the first half of 1989 after 22.5 million (\$35 million) in the same period last year.

That was well below share analysts' forecasts, but brokers said Jaguar shares won support on the London Stock Exchange because of continued speculation about a possible bid and by midday the stock was unchanged at £3.97 (\$6.16).

First-half turnover at the Coventry-based group rose slightly to £53.6 million (\$860 million) from £57 million (\$84 million) in the first half of 1988.

"We always knew this year was going to be tough. We had some very difficult exchange rates to contend with the United States," Jaguar's chairman Sir John Egan told reporters.

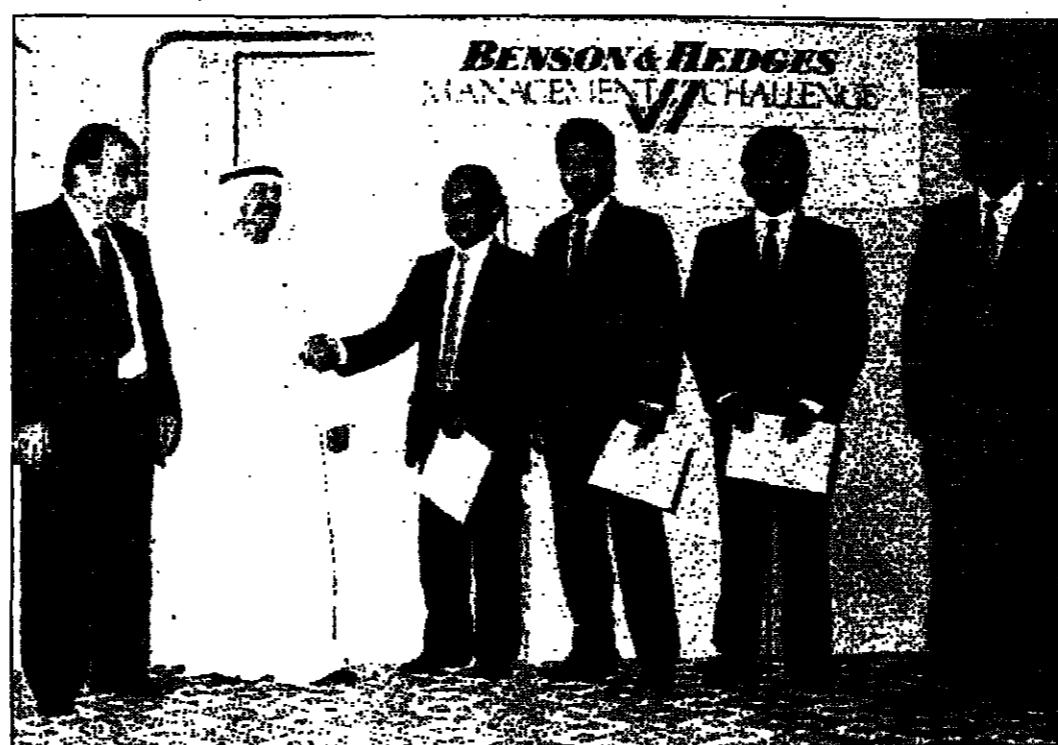
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Prizes were presented by Abdul Latif Al Kharrazah (second from left), general manager of Co-op Union, Gordon Chisholm (extreme right) pictured with the winners.



Runners-up — GIC participants.



Ernst and Whinney team.

Tokyo share prices

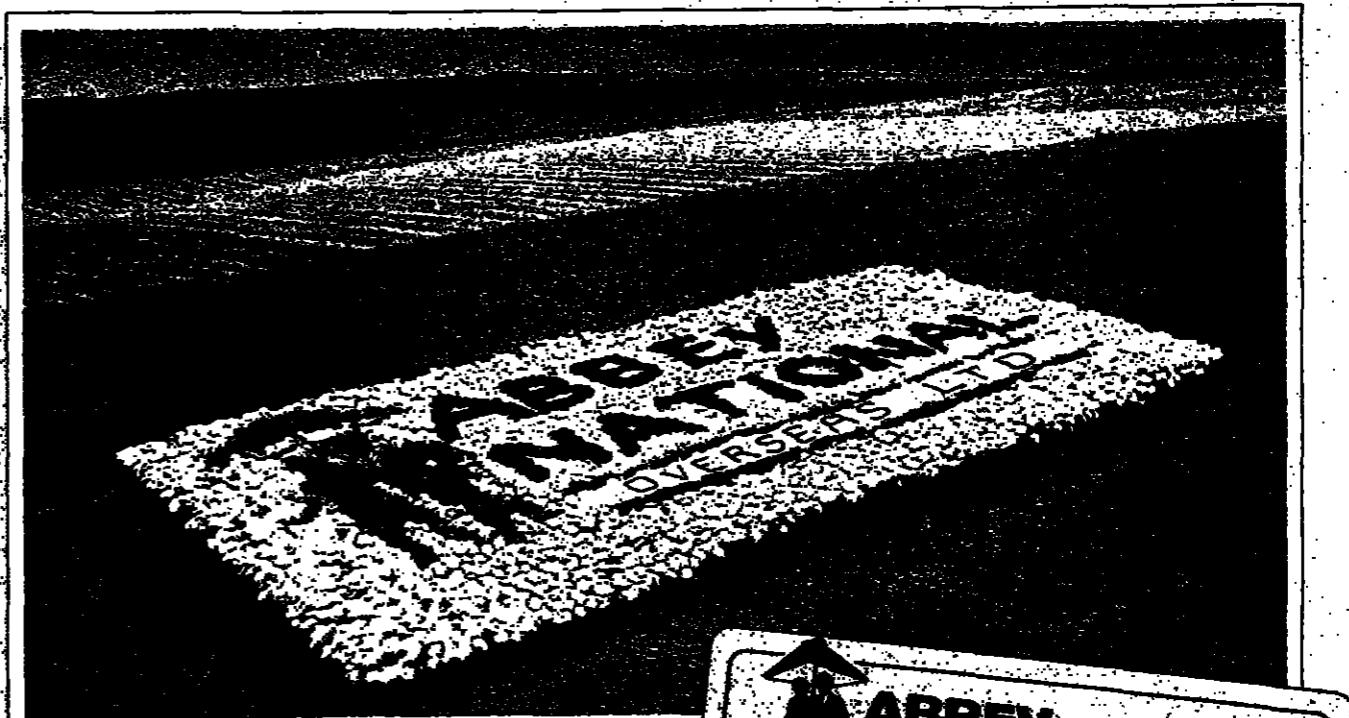
Nikkei stock average	34286.94	1040
(-45.34)		
Volume	600 mil s/s	2370
Yen exchange rate	146.70	1140
Name of stock	Cing	2520
Mazda Motor Corp.	1840	3810
Mitsubishi Corporation	1040	4350
Mitsubishi Estate	2370	1790
Mitsubishi Heavy Ind.	1140	1450
Mitsui Real Estate	2520	2200
Mizuno Corporation	1840	2470
Mochida Pharmaceutical	3810	1480
Mori Seiki Co., Ltd.	4350	2830
NEC Corporation	1790	2020
Alps Electric	1450	3130
Amada	2200	1830
Asahi Chemical Indus	1190	2200
Asahi Glass	786	1530
Nippondenso Co., Ltd.	2470	20
C. Itoh Co.	988	1820
Canon Inc.	1700	up 20
Casio Computer	1410	1530
Daiei Nippon Printing	2360	1530
Daiei Seiyaku	3080	1530
Dainippon Pharmaceut.	2800	6700
Daihatsu Corp.	1800	4190
Eisa	2470	2410
Fanuc Ltd.	6940	1820
Fuji Photo Film Co.	4360	up 20
Furuta Ltd.	1530	1530
Hitachi Credit	1880	1530
Hitachi Koki	1870	1530
Hitachi Ltd.	1560	1530
Hitachi Metal	1540	1530
Honda Motor	1990	1530
Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd.	4550	1530
Kajima Corporation	2070	1530
Kawasaki Heavy Ind.	1050	1530
Kobe Cast Iron Works	915	1530
Kokusai Elec.	3000	1530
Komatsu Ltd.	1230	1530
Kyocera Corporation	5380	1530
Marui	3260	1530
Matsushita Comm. Ind.	2970	1530
Matsushita Electric	2330	1530
Provided by National Investment Banking (Midwest), Baltimore		1530

Indian rupee	18.100
Sri Lankan rupee	7.680
Pakistani rupee	14.450
Bangladesh taka	9.270
US dollar	30200
Pound sterling	14675
Deutsche mark	15235
UAE dirham	08220
Japanese yen	002064

Bombay shares

BOMBAY Stock Exchange — Closing prices (Rs) as on: Sept. 13, 1989.	
ACC	258.50
Asia Paint	197.50
Brooke Bond	85.25
Bajaj Auto	318.75
Baroda Rayon	725
Bombay Dyeing	125
Century Spinning	2155
Colgate	172.25
BSE Index	714.21
Deepak Fert.	51
E.I. Hotel	55.50
Eskayef	112.50
Essar	25
GNFC	35
GSFC	166.25
Grasim	105
G.E. Ship	39.85
Garware Polyester	69.50
Glinda	90
Hindcoco	126.25
Hind Lever	99
Hindalco	260
Hindmotor	31
I.T.C.	68
Indian Organic	45.50
Indrayon	83.25
Indrol	247.50
J.K. Synthetics	77
Larsen and Toubro	98.50
Mather PL	130
Mukund	15.50
Master Shr.	90
Mahindra	635
MICO	1130
Noil	1130
Orkay	15.25
Premier Auto	58.25
Peaco	27
Plaza	67.50
Raymond	100
Reliance	100
SAC	50
Siemens	72
Std Mills	445
Tata Power	337.50
Tata Chemicals	126
Tisco	1170
Telco	1000
Volta	870
Net index	378.45
(Compiled by Kuwait India International Exchange Co.)	

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EVENTS



The choir

The Vienna Boys are coming to town

ALL too often it happens that society fails to respect time honoured traditions, preferring to relegate them to the depths of some museum and eventual oblivion. Yet despite the difficulties incurred in preserving cherished traditions and maintaining their meaningfulness today, the Vienna Boys Choir are a splendid example of how it has proved possible to uphold a noble institution that nevertheless fulfils the demand of modern life to the full. Even though these "young singing ambassadors" of Austria are frequently to be seen speeding across continents from city to city by land, sea or air, the bright young voices of those left behind are to be heard every Sunday in the Imperial Chapel, taking part in the Mass as they have done for centuries. Indeed, one can consider the Imperial Chapel the cradle of Austrian musical tradition, for at the time of Emperor Maximilian I it saw the beginning of the choirboys' history.

The Emperor, well known as a humanist, issued a decree on July 7th 1495, expressing his desire to have choristers in the Imperial Chapel. Like the musicians, the choristers came from the Netherlands, where the Emperor had first become acquainted with this new form of music and singing. At that time the Netherlands were the leading country where music was concerned — a superiority that they managed to maintain for a century before having to surrender to strong Italian opposition that also swept successfully through the Imperial Chapel. It were, however, the efforts of this very same chapel that succeeded in establishing Austria's supremacy ever since, for the chapel has been controlled by Austrians from the very beginning.

In 1918, however, it seemed as though an end would be put to this most glorious sector of Austrian musical culture. With the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy the court orchestra was dissolved together with the choirboys' home. Fortunately, however, Josef Schmitt retained the chaplaincy of the Imperial Chapel in the first years of the new republic, and in 1924, encouraged by his many friends, he decided to re-establish the boys' choir. It was felt

that the well proven method of a boarding school was the only practicable method of ensuring that the choristers obtained the necessary musical training, and despite the enormous economic difficulties at the beginning the attempt was started. Schmitt spared his personal finances in no way whatsoever and today it is impossible to judge how much one owes to this generous man. It is alone his merit that this part of Austrian tradition could be preserved, and it would need a book to do justice to his efforts. It would also fill chapters of the same book, if one began to describe how concert appearances gradually began to form part of the choir's repertoire in addition to their duties in the Imperial Chapel. What initially had begun as an experiment became a great success. Concert tours were organised and the result was enthusiasm for the Vienna Boys' Choir, as they were now called, wherever they appeared.

Gradually the boys' sailor suits became internationally known and welcome everywhere. Today the boys enjoy the privilege of living in the Augarten Palace during termtime, and spending their holidays on the shores of the beautiful Wörthersee. The bright rooms and the green park of the palace as well as the modern holiday home opened in 1965 on the shores of the lake ensure the best conditions for the development of the boys in both body and mind. Whoever has had the opportunity of seeing the boys either rehearsing or playing soon realises the secret of their fascinating performances; they have managed to combine the naïvety of childhood with artistic maturity — something that can only be achieved through serious work and the upholding of tradition.

Today you find choirboys in all professions, but many of them become professional musicians e.g. choirmasters, members of famous orchestras and men's choirs. This of course helps to explain the strong bonds that hold all choirboys past and present. One should not believe that the choristers are expelled as soon as their voices break. When the soprano or alto voice gradually deepens into a tenor or bass, the possessor of the same is rewarded for services rendered with a chance to "retire" to a special lodge in the palace. Despite its nickname "old age pensioner's home," the boys gladly stay there and attend a regular state school.

The Vienna Boys' Choir is not simply a historic institution that ranks high in the world of serious music, it is also a valuable philanthropic method of schooling that influences and prepares numerous young men from all walks of life for the future.

Show on 26th September and 4th October at 8:00 pm; at the Kuwait International Hotel. For tickets contact the reception at 2533000 ext 8040. Special rates for school children.

ARTS

BARDERS: The Bangladesh Diploma Engineers Society in Kuwait (Badesik) will hold the installation ceremony of its newly elected office bearers on Sept 15 at 6:30 pm at the Bangladesh Embassy premises. A cultural function will also be held on the occasion. Badesik members are requested to contact their local representative or phone 4330025 for further information.

Ahmadi Musical Society

AUDITIONS for the 1989/90 season will start on Saturday 16th September, at 7:30 pm at the Kuwait Little Theatre. Ahmadi New singers welcome. For further details ring 3912384.

East Meets West

AUDITIONING of talented singers and dancers for the forthcoming East Meets West II Musical Extravaganza — those interested contact 240678, 8:30-1:00; 4:30-7:00, (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) 12th, 13th and 14-09-89.

are given free to all participants. Master cutting, Barong Tagalog and executive suits will be covered in the course. For particulars, please contact Sarah Macarimbang Vice-President for Social and Cultural Affairs at 4843447. Deadline for registration will be on September 15.

Spoken Arabic

The Public Authority for Applied Education and Training is starting to offer spoken-Arabic classes for non-native speakers. The programme, starting in October 89, is for beginners and having intermediate knowledge in colloquial conversation. The registration will start on 16th September, 1989. Those who are interested please contact on telephone Nos. 2413050 Ext. 243, 269; 2455860 Ext 454, 455, 457; 2411383.

Tareq Rajab Museum

SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon; 4 to 7 pm; Fridays: 9 am to 12 noon. Collection of Islamic arts, costumes and jewellery from the Muslim world.

Sadu House

SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon; 4 to 7 pm. Exhibits include bedouin handicrafts — rugs, saddle bags, cushions and textiles. Closed on Thursdays and Fridays.

Photography & oil painting classes

Photography to be taught by Am C. Eid, a professional photographer with a degree in fine arts, who has taught at the University of Maryland.

Oil painting to be taught by Yasmeen Bahrnia, a professional artist with a degree in fine arts, who has exhibited her paintings in many countries.

Classes are to be held in Dairya. Limited to only 10 students per class. Register early.

Dates: Photography — Sundays, Oct 7 - Nov 25, 10 am to 1 pm or; Nov 25, 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

Painting: Mondays, Oct 2 - Nov 20, 10 am to 1 pm.

For further details and reservations, please call Yasmeen 2540587.

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Pakistan Arts Circle

A SERIES of programmes is being organised by the Pakistan Arts Circle, which includes musicals, musical varieties, literary discussions, etc.

Families are most welcome. Please register your names on Tel. Nos. 5323693, 5715785 or 4716258.

Kapalak Exhibition

KAPALAK (Kerala Arts & Literature Promoting Association of Kuwait) will hold an exhibition of Arts & Handicrafts at the Indian Embassy Hall on 20th September 1989 between 3 pm and 8 pm. For details contact 3632708/4316737/5626620.

Breeze '89

OCT 26: Tivim Centre's — Breeze '89 is going to hit the floors of Ramada Al Salam hotel New Ballroom at a social evening organised in commemoration of village festival. Top Rank and Stepping Stones will provide scintillating music, lots of surprises await. For further information pls contact the organisers, Casmir, or Mario on Tel. No. 2441860/67 after 3:30 pm.

Filcheck chess

SEPT 26: The Filipino Chess Club in Kuwait (Filcheck) invites all Filipino Chess enthusiasts to join the first "Active Chess Tournament."

Attractive prizes await the lucky winners. Entry forms are available at Kabayan Restaurant. Deadline for submission of entries is Sept 15. For more details contact Edward Racaza (2421868, 2402405), Chito (2443961) or Jun (2409650).

Colva Nite

OCT 19: Annual Colva Nite at New Ballroom of Ramada Al Salem Hotel. Top Ranks in attendance. For details contact Tele. 2413884/2434776/562914/4130913 after 5 pm.

British Council

Defence of the Realm

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Free Tailoring Class

Kapisanang Pilipino sa Kuwait (Kapilku) will hold their free tailoring class to all bona fide Kapilku members beginning Friday, September 22 at Far East Restaurant from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. This self-improvement course is one of the many projects by Kapilku. The class will run every Friday and end on October 3. All materials needed for the class

Palarong Pilipino Annual

OCTOBER 6: Ninth annual Thanksgiving mass will be held at the Holy Family Cathedral at 8 am followed by a get-together after mass. All D'Assisi ex-students along with their families and friends are invited. For more details contact: 2443981 or 2469811.

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SPORTS

Ballet

STEPS School of Dance, is affiliated with the Royal Academy of Dance, London. Girls of all ages can learn classical ballet or modern dance. There is an adult jazz course for ladies, and a gymnastics course for children. For registration and more details, please contact the Kuwait English School from 3 to 7 pm on weekdays, or Thursday mornings.

Football Leagues

Anybody interested in joining a soccer league, preferably already belonging to a team, please call Bob or Alan on 5386444.

Kapilku Night

The Association of Filipinos in Kuwait (Kapilku) will hold their Kapilku Night on Friday, September 29 in Holiday Inn Hotel at 5:00 pm. This singing contest is open to all Filipinos and the competition is divided into two categories, namely, Bagong Kampeon (regular singing contest) and Sing-Alike. The first three winners in each division will receive valuable prizes from the sponsors. Interested participants are requested to contact VP Sarah Macarimbang the chairperson at 4843447 and Rod Cerezo at 2433595, the co-ordinator.

All previous winners are

requested to contact the chairperson for the rehearsal on the forthcoming Grand Final on October 20.

Rehearsals and auditions for all Kapilku Night contestants will be on Friday, September 15 at Far East Restaurant at 10:00 am.

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For group, the picture must be coloured and the size is 5" x 7" with their officials and players and for the individual, it must be coloured and the size is also 5" x 7".

Sponsors and donors who may wish to place ads must contact Sarah Macarimbang, Vice-President for Social and Cultural Affairs at 4843447.

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Rehearsals and auditions for all Kapilku Night contestants will be on Friday, September 15 at Far East Restaurant at 10:00 am.

Sports

All the winners in the just concluded Palarong Pilipino organised by the Kapisanang Pilipino sa Kuwait (Kapilku) should submit their pictures on or before September 22 to Homer L. Mesina, Vice-President of Media and External Affairs and the Chairman of the 9th Palarong Pilipino Souvenir Programme.

Colva Nite

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Rehearsals and aud

First of 3-part series

Back to school

By Julie Hodgson

ALL the children walked to the school gates. Some had been before, for some it was their first time. The new ones, turned and waved at their parents, before they went into the playground.

One particular little girl, had travelled by bus to get to school. As Sarah got off the bus, she looked around and thought, "what a lot of boys and girls."

Her brother, Tristan, had started a different school, so she was on her own. Just then a little girl came up to Sarah.

"Hello, my name is Bidor", she said shyly, "what's yours?"

"My name is Sarah", she replied.

Well the two girls got on very well, telling each other about their favourite toy, and what books they liked



to read.

The nice thing was they both lived in Salmiya, so they could arrange to see each other after school.

When the bell went to go into class, the two new friends, held hands, smiled at each other, and went into their classrooms together. Sarah thought, "school won't be so bad after all."

Next week the children realise how much fun school is! Don't miss it...

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The Baby Boom

Directions: In the Spring of the year most young creatures are born. They greet their new life with energy and excitement. They grow during the warm days of summer in preparation of the hard days of summer. Match the animal name in column A with the name of the young of that species in column B. Draw a line to connect the pairs. Place the letter of the pair beneath the number of the pair in the message.

Column A

1. swan
2. tiger
3. chicken
4. goose
5. dog
6. cat
7. duckling
8. horse
9. rabbit
10. pig
11. sheep
12. cow

Column B

- a. lamb
- b. piglet
- c. bunny
- d. kitten
- e. gosling
- f. foal
- g. pup
- h. cub
- i. chick
- j. cygnet
- k. duckling
- l. calf

**MESSAGE:**

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What am I?

"I am a two-feature creature. Which two animals am I made from?"



- Dog
- Frog
- Camel
- Elephant
- Bear
- Bird

- Sheep
- Chicken
- Fish
- Turtle
- Butterfly
- Monkey

Dot-to-dot

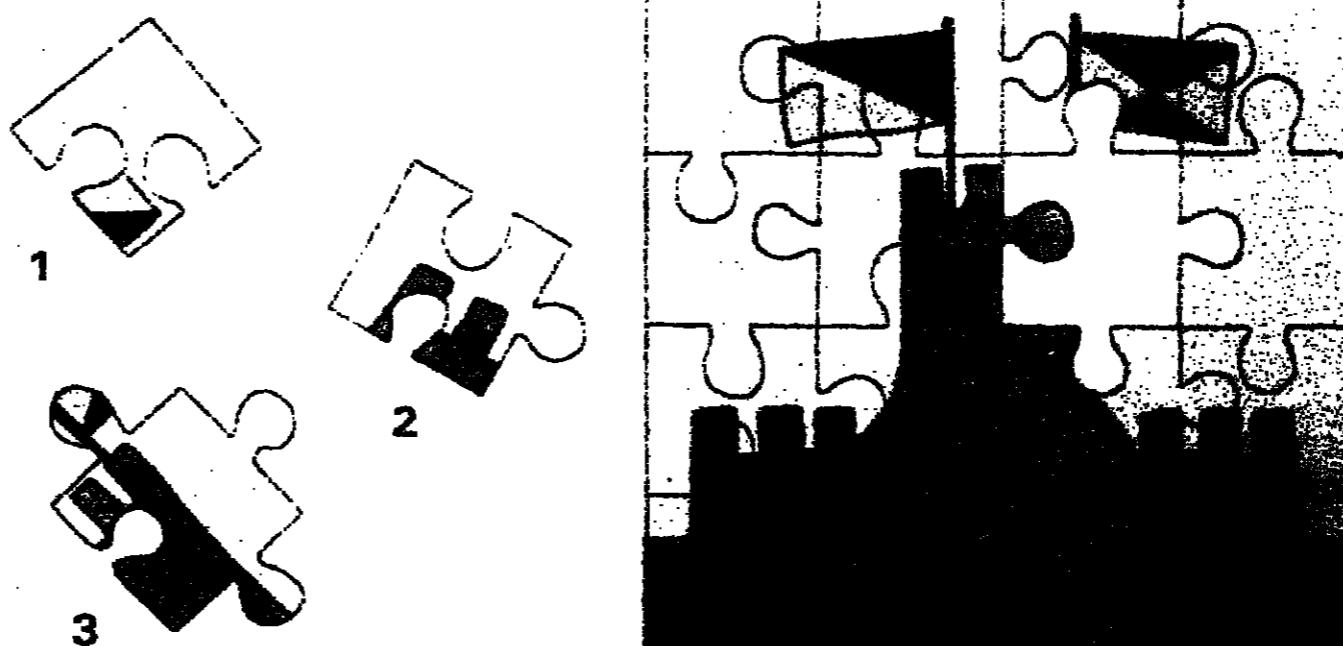
Join the dots to find out what this is. There are so many songs written about the objects below. Try listing them and then colour in the completed picture.

**Young artist**

A little girl and her teddy bear.



Sarah.
9 years old.
International
School.

Which piece fits the puzzle?**Dear Junior Readers,**

I have noticed that many of the birthday coupons still arrive very late, the mail in Kuwait seems to be a little slow. So to avoid any delays, please send in your coupons as early as possible.

I would also like to point out that any mail received by Junior Times will be printed, whether it is a poem, a story, a piece of art work or a puzzle. It may, however take a while before appearing on the page, due to space and quantity.

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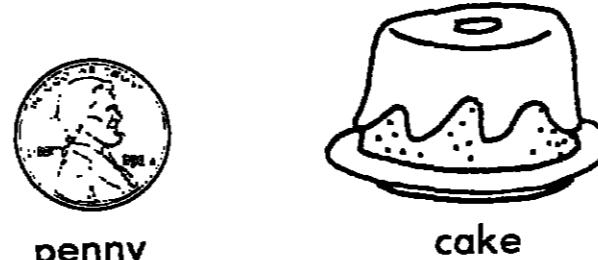
You see, sometimes we can feel very unhappy by small uncomforats, or problems which you may be embarrassed, ashamed, scared or just unwilling to tell the closest people to you. You may wish to ask someone else for advice, but can you turn to? Who will feel neutral towards you whatever the problem? Who will be willing to help you through difficult situations time and time again, without getting fed up?

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Manal.

What belongs?

Colour in the pictures. Boldly circle the picture which does not belong



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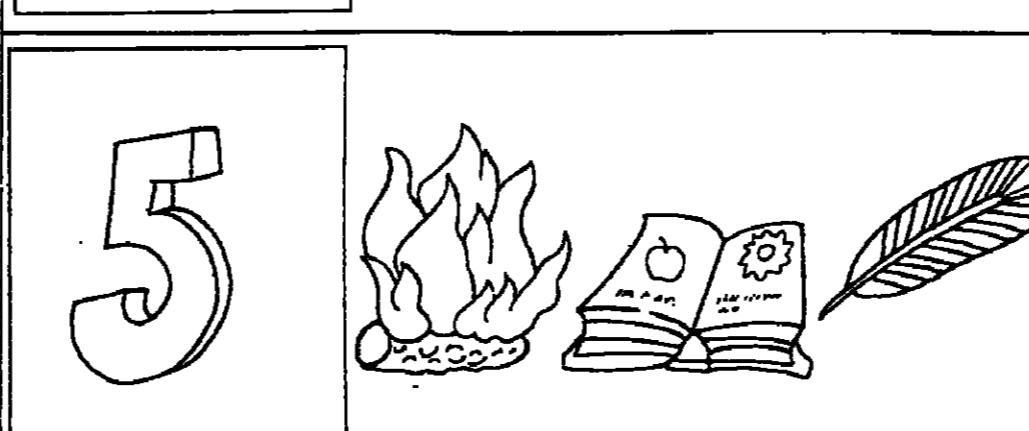
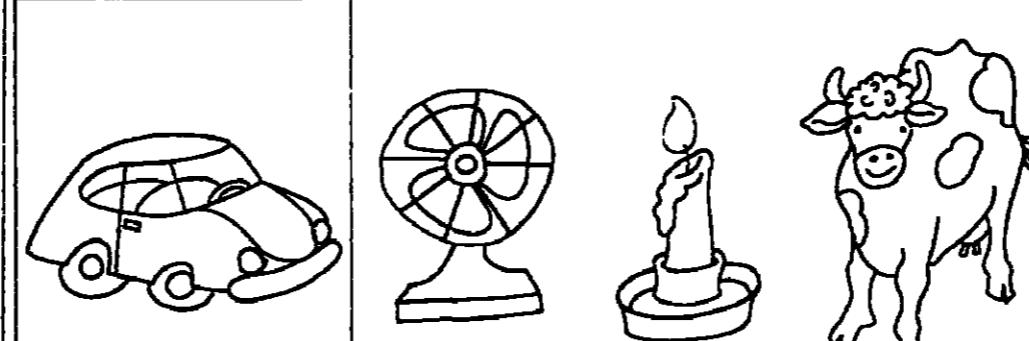


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SPORTS

Kankkunen tipped to win rally

PERTH, Australia, Sept. 13. (Reuter): Former world champion Juha Kankkunen of Finland of Toyota Team Europe is favourite to win the first World Rallying Championship event in Australia after two weeks of driving the continent's rough back roads.

Kankkunen, world champion in 1986 and 1987, has clocked the fastest times ahead of tomorrow's opening stage in his Toyota Celica GT4 in unofficial practice over the 1,845-km course around Perth, in Western Australia.

"I didn't know much about the route at all," said the Finn after reconnoitring the course with navigator Juha Piironen.

There are a lot of rough roads and gravel but the suspension in the Toyota has been excellent.

Fellow Toyota driver Kenneth Eriksson of Sweden and Finn Markku Alen, runner-up in the last three world championships, are also expected to be among the pace-setters along with Italy's Alessandro Fiorio and Sweden's Mikael Ericsson.

Ericsson comes fresh from his surprise victory in the 1,000 Lakes in Finland where he became only the second non-native to win the event in his Mitsubishi.

Eriksson gave Toyota one of their best results of a disappointing season by finishing fourth in the 1,000 Lakes.

Alen's Lancia has achieved little besides a second place in Portugal last March, but his team have already won the manufacturers' title thanks to 1988 world champion Massimo Biasion. The Italian is confident enough of taking his son successively to skip the Perth event.

The rally, which includes 21 special stages over 544 km, is the 10th round in the World Drivers' Championship and the eighth in the manufacturers' contest.

Allen is hoping the fine weather will continue. "The roads are good but I hope there isn't rain during the event — some of the corners will become very muddy and slippery."

Fiorio, another Lancia driver, is joint fourth in the world championship table alongside Sweden's Ingvar Carlsson.

Capriati adds zest to US Wightman Cup team

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Sept. 13. (Reuter): The annual US hammering of Britain in the Wightman Cup has been given added zest this year with the inclusion of a 13-year-old girl who is already being hailed as the successor to Chris Evert as the queen of American tennis.

Jennifer Capriati, who on Sunday added

the US junior title to the French and Belgian crowns, tomorrow will become the first amateur to play in the annual women's team competition between the two countries since the Open era began in 1968.

Capriati will play one of the singles matches in the three-day competition to be held at William and Mary College in a team that

includes another teenager, Mary Joe Fernandez, Lori McNeil, Patty Fendick and Betty Nagel.

"I'm excited about the Wightman Cup, it's a big honour," Capriati said after her US Open victory in which she beat girls several years her senior.

"Being with professional players will be a

lot of fun."

Explaining the choice of Capriati, US coach Marty Riessen said: "There is no hesitation at all. She is very mature. She plays older than her age."

Such is the depth of the US team that they can afford to contest the 61st Wightman Cup without such established stars as Mar-

tim Navratilova, the retired Evert and US Open semifinalist Zina Garrison who are ranked second, fifth and sixth in the world respectively.

Fernandez is ranked 13th. McNeil is 25th and Capriati is unranked as she is too young to be a professional. Fendick, who is ranked

27th, is a doubles specialist like 41-ranked Nagel.

Britain's top player is Jo Durie who brings a 102 ranking into the tournament. She is accompanied by Sara Gomer (118) and Clare Wood (154), and by Wightman newcomers Amanda Grunfeld (173), Ann Hobbs (227) and Sarah Loscenko (302).

Liverpool go top

Crystal Palace crushed 9-0



Aldridge: last match for Liverpool

LONDON, Sept. 13. (Reuter): Liverpool scored their biggest ever English First Division win yesterday when they crushed Crystal Palace 9-0 at Anfield to go top of the League for the first time this season.

Eight different players found the net — Scottish international defender Steve Nicol scored twice — as Liverpool ran riot against the First Division newcomers.

Nicol opened the scoring in the seventh minute and closed it in the 86th. Steve McMahon and Ian Rush contributed to put the hosts 3-0 by halftime but then the floodgates opened as Gary Gillespie, England strikers Peter Brereton and John Barnes, Swede Glenn Hysen and John Aldridge, making his last appearance before joining Spain's Real Sociedad, all netted.

Aldridge was brought on as substitute to score from the penalty spot in the 67th minute after midfielder Ronnie Whelan had been brought down. At the final whistle Aldridge, a life-long Liverpool fan, threw his shirt and boots into the crowd amidst emotional scenes.

Results
English Division One
Liverpool 9 Crystal P 0

Portsmouth 0 Plymouth 3
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Sheffield 2 Swindon 0
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Daufresne sails into quarterfinals

GENEVA, Sept. 13. (Reuter): Belgian Xavier Daufresne, ranked 470th in the world, continued his stunning progress in the Geneva Tennis Grand Prix by cruising into the quarterfinals today.

Daufresne recorded a 6-2 6-4 win over Cassio Motta of Brazil, having produced one of the shock wins of the year by eliminating top-seeded Argentine Alberto Mancini, world ranked 11th, in yesterday's first round.

Daufresne was accepted here only because the organisers were a player short and was released from military service to play. He needed less than an hour to overcome

the Brazilian, ranked 110th in the world.

The Belgian qualifier said later: "I feel tired but terrific. Today's match was my fifth so far. I feel in great form and hope to go further in the tournament."

Two more seeds were toppled in the second round after five fell in the first, leaving number four Guillermo Perez-Roldan of Argentina as the only surviving seed.

His compatriot Eduardo Bengoechea upset third seed

Andres Gomez of Ecuador in a tense, rain-interrupted match 7-6 7-5 and Swede Lars Jonsson beat Marcelo Filippi of Uruguay, seeded sixth, 6-3 7-5.

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SPORTS

Maleeva triumphs

PHOENIX, Sept. 13. (UPI): Second-seeded Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria recovered from a sluggish start to win the final 10 games and post a 6-4, 6-0 first-round victory over Donna Faber in the \$100,000 Virginia Slims of Arizona.

No. 3 seed Susan Sloan, though, was upset by unseeded Camille Benjamin, 6-7 (4), 6-3. Benjamin, a left-hander, won the final three points of the first-set tie-breaker, then triggered the key service break in the sixth game of the second set.

In another upset, England's Monique Javerdownd No. 6 Tacey Martin, 6-2, 6-4.

Maleeva, 20, who has been hampered by injuries, trailed 3-1 when Faber broke early. However, the world's No. 16 player squared the set with a break in the eighth game, then took the set with another break when Faber double-faulted.

Maleeva, whose older sister, Manuela, won the tournament last year, raced through the next set unchallenged.

"Today's result is the way it should be," said Maleeva.



Coe: may run his last race

Cubs take 4 1/2-game lead over Cardinals

Phillies edge Mets

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. (AP): Mike Bielecki pitched a two-hitter — allowing no hits over the final seven innings — and the Chicago Cubs beat the Montreal Expos 2-0 to take a 4 1/2-game lead over St. Louis in the National League East.

Last night's victory was the fourth straight for the Cubs and their fifth win in six games. The fourth-place Expos lost for the fifth time in six games and fell six games behind the Cubs. The Cardinals lost 3-2 to Pittsburgh.

The Cubs also moved 5 1/2 games ahead of the third-place New York Mets, who lost 2-1 to Philadelphia.

Bielecki gave up a leadoff single to Tim Raines in the first inning and a single to Tim Wallach with one out in the second.

"I've never pitched a better game but it could have gone either way," said Bielecki, whose previous best effort was a three-hit, 4-0, shutout against Los Angeles on July 19.

In St. Louis, Bob Walk allowed five hits in 8 2/3 innings for his fourth victory over the Cardinals this season, and Pittsburgh continued its role of spoiler.

The Pirates, who have won four straight, took two of three in New York over the weekend to shatter the Mets' pennant hopes and are doing the same to the Cardinals.

Philadelphia's Dickie Thon homered with one out in the ninth inning to lift the Phillies past New York. The Mets, who are 28-41 on the road, have 18 games left in the season.

In San Francisco, Dale Murphy hit a three-run homer off Steve Bedrosian to cap a five-run Atlanta rally in the eighth inning and lift the Braves over the Giants, 6-5.

Combined with San Diego's victory over Houston, the loss reduced the Giants' lead over the second-place Padres to five games in the National League West.

San Diego's Bruce Hurst pitched a two-hitter for his ninth

complete game and Roberto Alomar drove in four runs, leading surging San Diego past Houston, 9-0.

The Padres, who have won 16 of their last 19 games, swept the two-game series from the Astros to take over second place in the National League West.

Dodger pinch-hitter Mike Marshall's bases-loaded, two-run double with none out in ninth inning rallied Los Angeles over Cincinnati in that 5-4 contest.

Results

National League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	2	Montreal	0	-
Philadelphia	2	New York	1	-
Pittsburgh	5	St. Louis	2	-
San Diego	9	Houston	0	-
Los Angeles	5	Cincinnati	4	0
Atlanta	6	San Francisco	5	-

American League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	11	Baltimore	1	-
Cleveland	1	Detroit	0	-
Kansas City	8	Toronto	5	-
Milwaukee	6	Calif.	5	-
Seattle	7	Oakland	6	-
California	5	Boston	3	-
	7	New York	6	-

Standings				
National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	82	63	.566	-
St. Louis	77	67	.535	4 1/2
New York	76	68	.528	3 1/2
Montreal	76	69	.527	6 1/2
Pittsburgh	65	79	.451	16 1/2
Philadelphia	59	85	.410	22 1/2

West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	83	62	.572	-
San Diego	78	67	.538	5
Houston	78	68	.524	7
Cincinnati	70	75	.483	13
Los Angeles	69	76	.476	14
Atlanta	57	88	.398	26

American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	80	65	.552	-
Baltimore	79	66	.557	-
Milwaukee	74	72	.507	6 1/2
Boston	70	75	.483	10
New York	67	79	.459	13 1/2
Cleveland	66	78	.458	13 1/2
Detroit	55	91	.377	25 1/2

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	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	87	57	.604	3
Kansas City	84	60	.583	3
California	83	61	.576	4
Texas	73	70	.510	13 1/2
Minnesota	72	72	.500	15
Seattle	63	81	.438	24
Chicago	60	84	.417	27

Spitz attempting return

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13. (AP): Mark Spitz, who won an all-time record seven gold medals in the 1972 Olympics, will try to qualify for the 1992 games in the 100-meter butterfly, according to a published report.

A story in yesterday's editions of USA Today quoted the 39-year-old Spitz, considered the greatest swimmer in Olympic history, as saying he is training for the US Olympic trials, which will be held in 7-2 years.

The Associated Press learned that Spitz is, indeed, attempting a comeback and believes he can do it. It was also learned that a lengthy article on Spitz' comeback attempt written by Bill Greenup will appear in next Sunday's Parade magazine.

Spitz will be 42 when the next Olympics are held in Barcelona, Spain.

"I don't really call this a comeback because I left this sport at the top," Spitz was quoted as saying by USA Today. "I want to swim the next three years like there's no tomorrow and, to me, that would be the accomplishment."

Spitz not only won seven gold medals in the Games at Munich 17 years ago, he set seven world records. But he will focus on just the one event, the 100-meter butterfly, at the present time.

Spitz won the gold medal in the 100-meter butterfly at the 1972 Olympics in 54.27 seconds, a time which would have been eighth-best at the 1988 Games.

US Swimming Inc., officials confirmed Monday that Spitz was reinstated as an eligible competitor by FINA, the world aquatic sports federation, USA Today said.

To compete in the US trials, Spitz has to attain the trials qualifying time, which is still undetermined, in a regional meet. Then, he would have to finish first or second in the trials to qualify for the 1992 Games.

Spitz has been involved in real estate and the manufacturing of children's clothes in recent years.

Kingdom beats Nehemiah in 110m hurdles again

Italians set world bests in Verona meet

VERONA, Italy, Sept. 13. (AP): Italians Stefano Laibruschini and Ileana Salvador set world bests and US hurdler Roger Kingdom earned one of three victories by Americans at the city of Verona Track and Field Meet.

Kingdom, the world record-holder, won the 110-metre hurdles in 13.245 seconds, beating fellow US nationals Reinaldo Nehemiah and Eric Cannon.

Andre Phillips led another 1-2-3 US sweep in the 400-metre hurdles, beating Nat Page and Danny Harris in 48.70 seconds. Mike Bunick, also of the US, won the discus with a mark of 201 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

Jamaican runners swept the 100-metre sprint. Marlene Ottey won the women's race in a wind-aided time of 11.06 seconds, beating American Diane Williams. While Ray Stewart captured the men's race in 10.14.

Italy's Stefano Tilli upset Americans Henry Thomas and Thomas Jefferson to win the 200-metre dash in 20.58 seconds.

Neither mark will count as world record because both were achieved over distances which are not included among Olympic and world championship events.



Kingdom: won in 13.245 seconds

800-metre races, while Italy's Salvatore Antibo beat Ireland's

Marcus O'Sullivan in the 3,000 meters.

Meanwhile, Sebastian Coe

was named yesterday to run the

800 metres at an international meet in London on Friday in what could be his last appearance on the track.

In Barcelona last week at the World Cup, Coe, who will be 33 on Sept. 30, said he would announce tomorrow whether he would extend his glittering career to include next January's Commonwealth Games in Auckland.

Speculation is strong that the double 1,500-metre Olympic champion and the man who has held on to world records in the 800 and 1000 metre since 1981 will retire to embark on his political career.

If Friday's 800 metres is his last race, it seems that Coe has been presented with a glorious opportunity to carve out an easy farewell win.

He faces mainly domestic opposition in the shape of World Cup silver medallist Peter Elliott and East Germany's bronze medallist Jens-Peter Herold.

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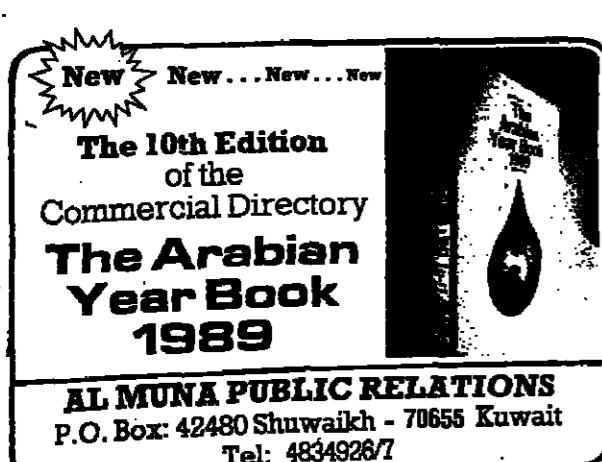
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CRICKET

Sri Lanka to review Test ban

COLOMBO, Sept. 13. (Reuters): Sri Lanka is to review the 25-year Test cricket ban on 14 players who toured South Africa, the Sports Ministry said today.

Cricket clubs and associations had been asked for their views on the banning of the 14 who took part in the rebel tour in 1982, a ministry statement said.

It said it wanted to know whether there had been a "violation of principle of national justice affecting the rights of the players... resulting in a miscarriage of justice and to find out whether the punishment meted out in October 1982 was excessive."

The rebels, led by Sri Lanka's then cricket captain Bandula Warnapura, slipped out of the country after the trip was banned and for two months toured racially-divided South Africa.

On their return they were banned from Test and local cricket for 25 years. Last March the cricket board lifted the domestic cricket ban on all of them except Warnapura and the manager as they were reported to have gone to South Africa again to play cricket.

The ministry said the views they had canvassed were expected by September 22 and would be examined at a public inquiry.

The statement said Sports Minister Nanda Mathew had also appointed a commissioner to investigate the activities of the cricket board in the period January 1982 to June 1989.

It did not elaborate.

Drivers set for Marlboro Desert Challenge

Prince Abdullah drops out

AMMAN. With Jordan's Prince Abdullah an unfortunate non-starter in the BP 2000 Trophy Raid (Marlboro Desert Challenge), Middle East champion Mohammed bin Sulayem and Qatari star Abbas Al Mosawi look to be heading for a head-to-head battle in the 4WD event.

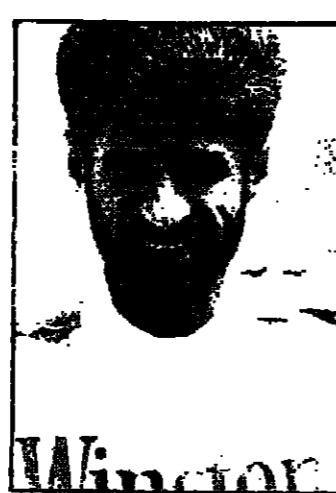
While the withdrawal of the Prince yesterday because of a back injury was a big disappointment for the organisers, they expect a thrilling contest to unfold along a route circling Amman's international airport.

In the thick of the action, almost certainly, will be Sulayem in his Winston Toyota Landcruiser and Mosawi in a Mitsubishi Pajero.

Saudi Arabia's Mohammed Al Malki, who drives another Pajero, is one of a number of competitors who believes this event is likely to develop into a two-horse race, barring any mechanical disasters.

"It will be between Mohammed and Abbas," said Al Malki yesterday before setting off for another practice session. "They are the best two drivers and they have the best two cars."

"Michel has a very good chance to do well — that's for sure," said Mamdouh Al Khayat, Saudi Arabia's other



Winston



Mosawi

Bin Sulayem

Al Wazzan

representative in the Hashemite Kingdom. "But he will be very fast to beat Mohammed and Abbas."

While Mosawi is aiming for his second successive win in the 1989 Desert Challenge having captured the title last year, Sulayem will be making his debut in the series in a vehicle specially-prepared by the Winston Toyota Team Middle East.

Dominant in the more prestigious Fisa Middle East Championship for the past three years, the UAE star said: "This event has been designed to produce an exciting finish, and I'm sure it will."

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Kuwait's Tareq Al Wazzan and Khaled Khalifa have experienced problems due to the late arrival of the Pajeros from Dubai. The cars finally arrived Monday afternoon, and the Marlboro practised hard yesterday to make up for lost time.

Scrutineering was yesterday afternoon, and there was little

time for the pairing to familiarise themselves with the long-wheel base Sonauto they will be using for the rally.

"Of course, we've been over the route a few times," said Wazzan, "but my real concern is getting to know the car, and refining our pace notes accordingly."

"The stages are very rough and bumpy, and stage one in particular will demand accuracy — it's a very hilly and an excellent stage."

The Marlboro-Mitsubishi team are expected to have a certain advantage on the stages, as they have both power and strength. However, they share this asset with fellow Marlboro teammate Saleh.

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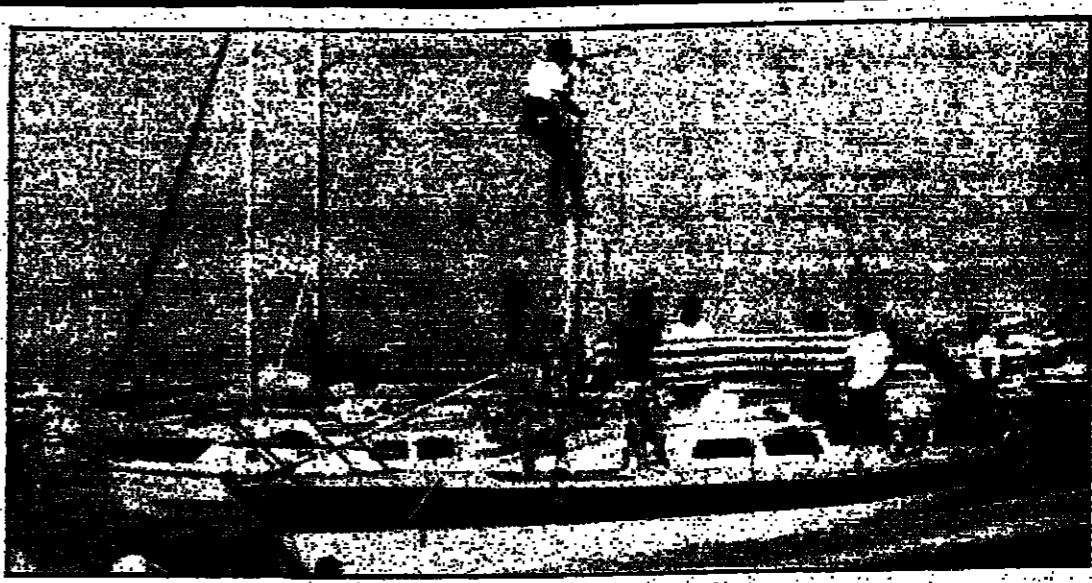
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One of the crews working on their boat.

Kosa begins new season

KOSA (Kuwait Offshore Sailing Association) begins its new racing season tomorrow. The Kosa fleet, which is based at the Shaab Yacht Club, currently consists of yachts ranging from 24 to 33 feet in length. Each boat is assigned a racing handicap by the Royal Ocean Racing Club (Channel Handicap System) related to its design and specifications.

Theoretically, this ensures that racing will be competitive. Races are generally scheduled every fortnight and are designed around short and long courses of between 2 to 8 hours duration. A long distance race will cover up to 50 miles and may take boats up to 10 miles offshore. Conditions in Kuwait vary from very high (+5 knots) breezes to strong +20 knot winds. Racing under heavy conditions for up to 8 hours can be quite demanding and calls people with plenty of stamina and determination.

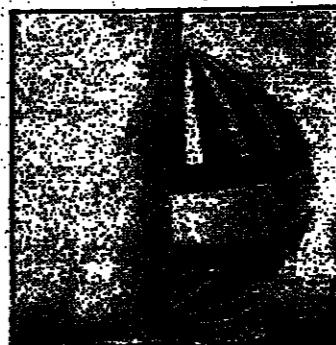
Races are sailed in a competitive but fair spirit. The all important tactical decisions that must be taken combined with crew performance can mean that a boat's fortunes will fluctuate throughout a race. Hard working crews that team well together and meet the challenges of the varying conditions usually

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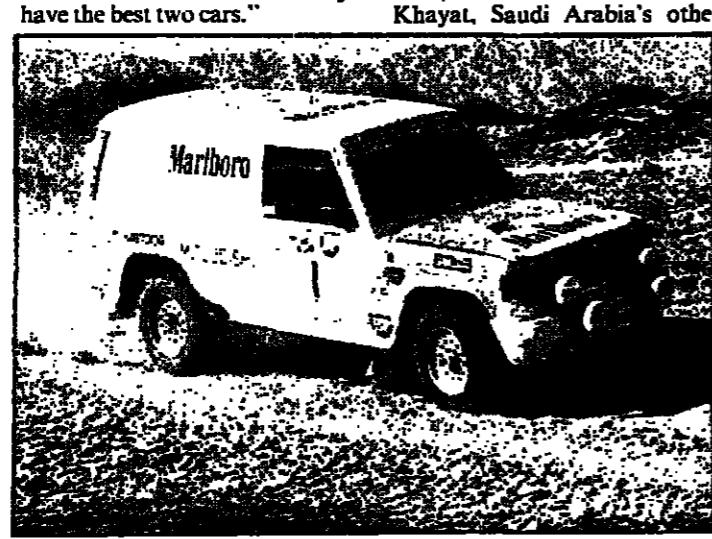
It's not all work though, on non-race days most boats stock up the picnic basket and enjoy a leisurely cruise from Shaab to points along the eastern coast line. Additional family members and friends join in; it's a great way to take advantage of Kuwait's hot summer.

The attitude of most boat owners in Kuwait is to actively promote and encourage the sport of yachting. To this end they are always keen to take on new crew whenever openings arise. Several yachts require additional crew members for the upcoming campaign which runs through to Christmas. Although previous experience is an obvious advantage, newcomers to the sport are always made welcome.

If you think you can dedicate yourself to yacht racing (i.e. early Friday mornings) please call the Kosa secretary, Craig Ross on 2452880 (W) or 5330509 (H).



Sailors practise for the races.



Al Mosawi in action in an earlier rally.

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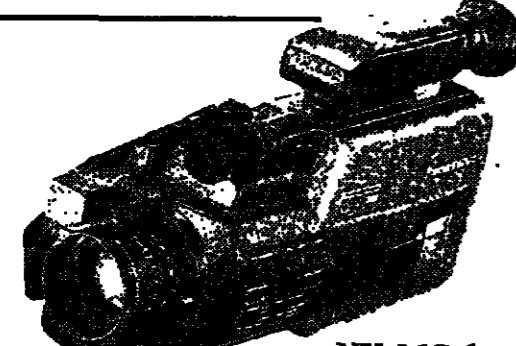
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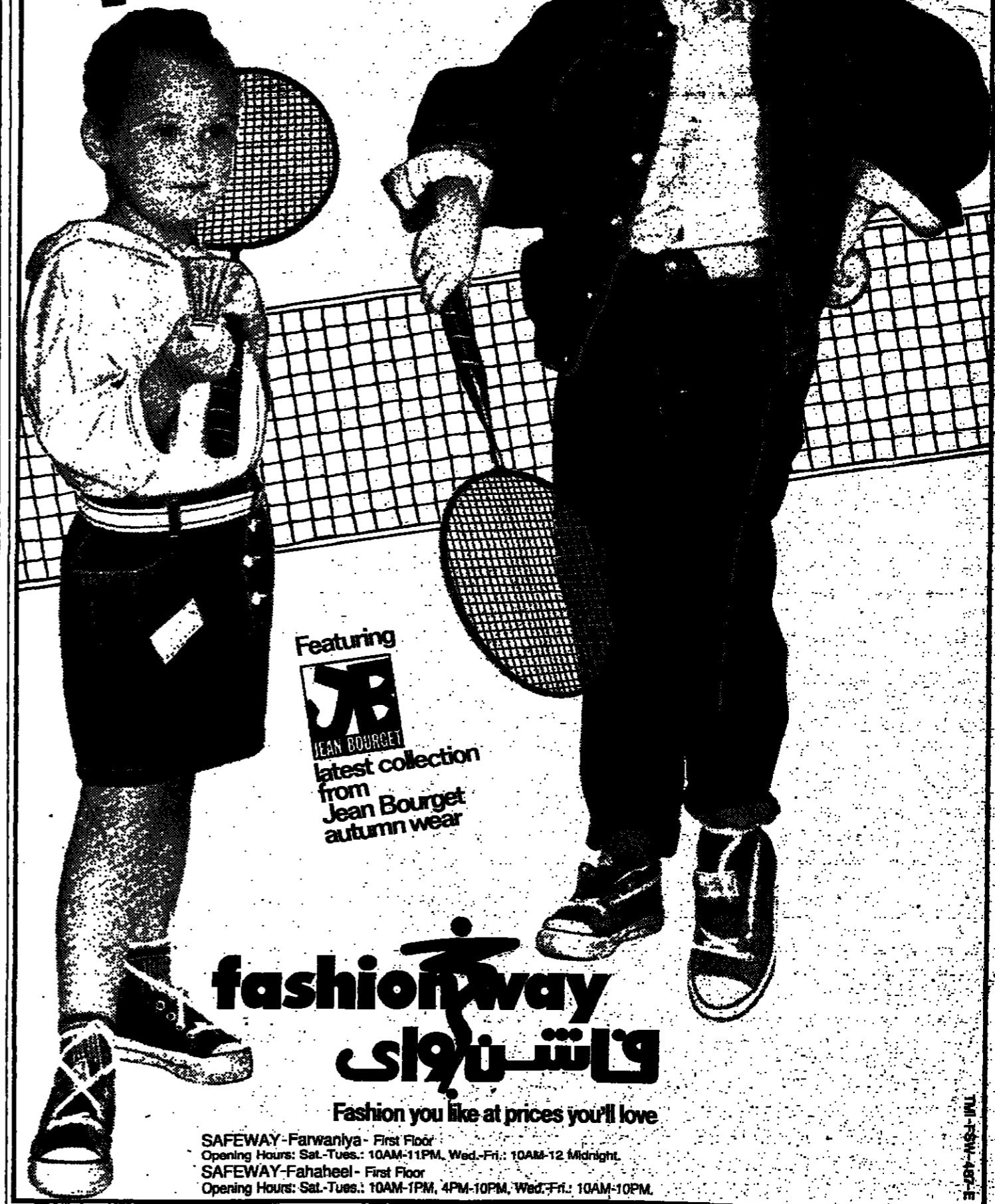
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